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WILLIAM HEAD GOT COAL FROM PRICE

Two Orders Were Given Him
Last Winter Without
Tender

NATURALLY WENT TO
HIM, SAYS OFFICIAL

Price's Commissions From
Kirk's Were Paid in
Hard Cash

The facts relating to the coal supplies to the William Head quarantine station occupied the attention of the royal commissioner this morning for a short time, with which his duties here concluded. Until the current year there was no contract for the furnishing of this commodity to the station since the contract for 1911-12 awarded under the Laurier government.

In 1913 and again at the beginning of last year there was coal sent to the station by Kingham & Co. at \$5.75 a ton, this being the figure under the last contract the firm had. In the fall of 1913 Kirk & Co. supplied coal at \$6.50 and 55 cents for discharging, or \$7.05 a ton. Early last winter the Crown Fuel company furnished a supply at \$6.50 plus 50 cents for unloading, or \$7, and in February last another order was given at the same figure plus 60 cents for discharging, or \$7.10 a ton.

Before the commissioner left the bench, M. B. Jackson, who has been representing Kingham & Co. in the dredge inquiry, expressed the appreciation of himself and H. W. R. Moore, counsel for W. H. Price, of the courtesy of the commissioner in the discharge of his duties. For himself, Mr. Jackson said he might have been obliged to ask questions or press for answers from witnesses that appeared harsh, but he was simply trying to do his duty by his clients.

Mr. Moore associated himself with what had been said as to Commissioner Hill's fairness, and Mr. Hill acknowledged the expression of both counsel.

William Henderson, resident architect of the Dominion public works department here, stated that his duties included those of obtaining supplies for all Dominion buildings here, among them the quarantine station at William Head. There had been no contract for the supply of coal since 1911, when Kingham & Co. had the contract, and for the following years the supplying of this was carried on at the old rates. Mr. Henderson put in the invoices that had been forwarded with the coal orders received since then. The first of these was dated June 13, 1913, from Kingham & Co. for 548,790 pounds of coal at \$5.75 per ton, or a total of \$1,692.51.

Later on, in September, he had seen Mr. Kingham about further supplies and told him that he did not want American coal, but found that he could not supply anything else to suit the purposes of the station at that time. On this he had gone to Price, as being the mouthpiece of the Conservative party here he had naturally gone to him to see who he should give the order to. Price told him to leave the order with him, and he would attend to it. The result was that Kirk & Co. supplied the coal. This was Jingle Pct and came under invoice of October 31, 1913, for 345,08 tons, at \$6.50 per ton, or \$2,243.65, and unloading at 55 cents a ton, or \$189.85, or in all \$2,433.50. On February 17, 1914, there was an order taken from Kingham & Co.—he could not explain how it had come to go to that firm—of 564,480 pounds of lump coal at \$5.75 per ton, or a total of \$1,622.88.

There was no contract for the year 1914-15, any more than there had been for the earlier years of the present administration at Ottawa, and during that period the Crown Fuel company, under which name W. H. Price did business as a coal merchant, supplied the station twice. The first invoice was dated Dec. 1, 1914, for delivery on Nov. 14, per Beatrice and scow, of 227 tons best lump coal at \$6.50, amounting to \$1,475.50, and unloading at 55c a ton, or \$123.50, or \$1,599 in all.

To the commissioner's question as to why he had come to order from that firm Mr. Henderson said that Price had asked him to give the Crown Fuel company an order and he had done so. On February 11 last there was an invoice from the same firm for 218 tons of coal at \$6.50, \$1,417, and discharging at 60c a ton, \$130.80, or \$1,547.80 in all. The reason for giving this order was that the coal supplied under the former order was so satisfactory that the station wanted the same kind, and so he gave Price the order.

Commissioner Hill—"How have you done this year?"
"This year we called for tenders on my suggestion, and the department so instructed me. There was no advertisement, but I saw the people. The tenders sent in were: J. E. Painter & Son, \$5.75; Kirk & Company, \$5.70; McKay & Gillespie, \$5.70; Hall & Walker, \$5.75; Crown Fuel company, \$6.30; Victoria Fuel company, \$5.50.
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THE PIPE DREAM



—New York Sun.

SERBIAN FORCE IN GREEK TERRITORY

Reported Troops Which Left
Monastir Have Crossed
the Boundary

GOVERNMENT OF GREECE
MUST DECLARE ITSELF

London, Dec. 1.—The Serbian force which abandoned Monastir has crossed into Greece, according to a dispatch received here to-day from Rome. They are expected to bring to an immediate head the negotiations now proceeding between the entente powers and Greece. Greece must decide immediately, it is said, whether the Serbian troops shall be interned or permitted to reorganize and inaugurate an offensive against the Austro-Germans and Bulgarians.

Cold Interference.
Paris, Dec. 1.—An announcement from the war office this afternoon reports that quiet has prevailed along the French front in Serbia, adding that the intense cold is making operations difficult.

German Claim.
Berlin, Dec. 1.—Army headquarters announced to-day that in the capture of Prirend, western Serbia, 15,000 Serbians had been made prisoners.

A Belated Statement.
Berlin, Dec. 1.—A statement given out at the Bulgarian army headquarters under date of November 29, says: "Bulgarian troops after a short and decisive engagement, took Prirend and made prisoners between 16,000 and 17,000 Serbians. They also captured fifty field cannon and howitzers, 20,000 rifles, 148 automobiles and a large amount of material."

"King Peter and the Russian minister to Serbia, Prince Troubetzkoy, on the afternoon of Nov. 23 left on horseback for an unknown destination without any other companions."

Roumanian Deputies Resorted to Blows at Opening of Session

Paris, Dec. 1.—Partisans and adversaries of the government came to blows at the opening session of the Roumanian parliament, telegraphs the Bernese correspondent of the Matin. "King Ferdinand hardly had begun to read his speech when he was interrupted with cries of 'Down with the government,' from M. Mille, leader of the interventionists, and his adherents."

"The supporters of the government replied with cheers for the king, whose speech was punctuated throughout by shouts from the opposition."
"No sooner had the king departed than a general fight began between the factions."

Ultimatum Will Be Sent to Austria by Govt. of Roumania

London, Dec. 1.—"Roumania will deliver an ultimatum to Austria-Hungary as soon as the entente powers have concentrated 500,000 men in the Balkans, it is reported in Bucharest," says a Balkan News Agency dispatch from that city.

FEWER AUTOS FOR FRENCH OFFICERS

Gen. Gallieni's Decision; Illegal
Traffic in Belgian Bank
Notes Exposed

Paris, Dec. 1.—Generals and other officers of the French army must get along with fewer automobiles and horses hereafter, by order of General Gallieni, minister of war.

Informing the appropriations committee of the chamber of deputies of his decision to-day, General Gallieni said he had reached it as the result of a report prepared in behalf of a committee by Raoul Peret, former minister of commerce, and Emanuel Brusse.

Three Arrested.
Paris, Dec. 1.—Omer Boulanger, president of the Belgian committee, of Paris, and Edmond de Vries Jules and Armand Samuel, Brussels stockbrokers, have been arrested on the charge of illegal traffic in Belgian banknotes.

The Bank of France has agreed to cash Belgian banknotes in small amounts for Belgian refugees, the amount and date being endorsed on the passports of the recipients.

The police charge that the men arrested bought at low rates large quantities of Belgian notes in Holland and Belgium, and getting in touch with numbers of needy Belgian refugees, induced them in consideration of small commissions to exchange notes at the Bank of France.

M. Boulanger was chauffeur for the late King Leopold, of Belgium, in whose service he is said to have amassed a fortune of 500,000 francs.

TWO WERE SENTENCED FOR PASSPORT FRAUDS

London, Dec. 1.—Sentences of six months at hard labor and subsequent deportation were imposed upon Edward Hodgson, an American, said to be a mining engineer, and Lucy Wunsche, declared to be a German. Both had American passports. Hodgson was charged with abetting the woman, charged with being in possession of a false passport.

WHY THE KAISER VISITED VIENNA

Germany and Austria Differ as
to How They Should
Seek Peace

BERLIN WOULD LEAVE
OUT BRITISH EMPIRE

Germany Desires Austria-Hun-
gary to Cede Transylvania
to Roumania

Rome, Dec. 1.—"The real object of Kaiser Wilhelm's visit to Vienna was to put a stop to efforts Austria-Hungary is making, by means of negotiations through Madrid, with the Vatican, to obtain a separate peace with the quadruple entente," says the Tribuna.

"Vienna and Berlin disagree on the question of peace. Berlin desires to treat separately with each of the allies, so as to break up the quadruple entente and then to crush Britain, but Vienna desires a real and lasting peace to end the tension which hourly is becoming too great for Austria-Hungary to bear."

Sacrifice by Hungary.

Paris, Dec. 1.—Diplomatic circles at Rome believe, says the correspondent of the Journal, that the visit of Kaiser Wilhelm to Vienna was made to reconcile, if possible, divergent views of Germany and Austria-Hungary, and obtain a pledge of territorial sacrifices by Austria-Hungary in the hope of assuring the neutrality of Roumania.

Alexandre Marghitoman and P. P. Carp, leader of the Roumanian Conservatives, are reported to have assured the Duke of Mecklenburg-Schwerin when he was in Bucharest that the benevolent neutrality of Roumania could be counted upon by the Teutonic allies if Germany could induce Austria-Hungary to cede Transylvania and part of Bukovina to Roumania. M. Carp is said to have promised also to bring about changes in the Roumanian cabinet.

Negotiations between Berlin and Vienna, the Journal says, were fruitless owing to the determined opposition of Hungary, and it is asserted the German ruler is endeavoring to induce Emperor Francis Joseph to consent to the sacrifice of Transylvania upon the understanding that Germany will return to Austria two provinces of Silesia annexed to Prussia in 1936.

Working for Peace.

Geneva, Dec. 1.—Mons. Werthmann, bishop of Freiburg, in Breisgau, has been in Geneva for two days after paying a long visit to Prince von Buelow, formerly German imperial chancellor, at Lucerne. It is reported here that the object of the bishop's visit to Switzerland is to assist in arousing sentiment in favor of peace among the Roman Catholics of neutral and belligerent countries. According to report the bishop is being assisted by Prince von Buelow.

Said \$150,000,000 Has Been Offered at Call of Canadian Govt.

Ottawa, Dec. 1.—It is understood that the subscriptions to the war loan so far tabulated total approximately \$110,000,000, with over 25,000 subscribers. Returns still continue to come in from branches of the banks at outlying points and these indicate that when the full returns have been received and the figures finally tabulated, it will be found that the loan has been over-subscribed more than twice over.

Hon. W. T. White, minister of finance, stated this morning that no further details as to the allotment would be given out for some days. He declined to state whether it was the intention of the government to accept the amount subscribed above the \$50,000,000 asked.

ARTILLERY ACTIONS ALONG SOMME RIVER

Paris, Dec. 1.—The report on the progress of hostilities given out by the war office this afternoon says that French artillery has been energetically engaged along the River Somme.

There also have been certain attacks on German aeroplanes in which the French were successful. Otherwise there is nothing new to report.

Ward I Meeting

A meeting of Ward I Liberal Association will be held in Temple's Hall to-night starting at 8 o'clock, when three of the Victoria Liberal candidates and F. A. Pauline, candidate in Saanich, will speak.

CHANGES MADE IN AUSTRIAN CABINET

Resignations of Ministers of
Interior, Commerce and
Finance Accepted

THEIR SUCCESSORS
HAVE BEEN NAMED

First Intimation Came Simul-
taneously With Arrival of
Kaiser in Vienna

Amsterdam, Dec. 1.—Reports that several members of the Austro-Hungarian cabinet have resigned are confirmed by an autograph letter from Emperor Francis Joseph published in the Wiener Zeitung, of Vienna. The emperor has accepted the resignations of Dr. Karl Heinold d'Udinski, minister of the interior; Dr. Rudolf Schuster von Bonhoff, minister of commerce, and Baron Engel von Mainfelden, minister of finance.

Acceptance of these resignations has been qualified with the proviso that the services of the retiring ministers are to be available if required. Dr. d'Udinski and Baron von Mainfelden have been appointed members of the upper house, while the rank of freiherr has been conferred on Dr. von Bonhoff.

New Ministers.

Prince Hohenzollern-Schillingfuerst, president of the supreme court of accounts, has been appointed minister of the interior; Ritter von Leth, governor of the post savings bank, minister of finance, and Herr von Spitzmuller, director of the Kredit Anstalt, minister of commerce.

The first reports of the resignation of the three Austrian cabinet ministers came almost simultaneously with the visit to Vienna of Kaiser Wilhelm on Monday. The Wolff Bureau, the mouthpiece of the German government, said on Monday night that several members of the cabinet would withdraw.

No authentic information has been received concerning the state of affairs politically which brought about the retirement of the ministers, but their withdrawal and the Kaiser's interview with Emperor Francis Joseph have given increased reports concerning Austria's willingness to enter into peace negotiations. It has been represented that Kaiser Wilhelm went to Vienna on account of this situation, although other dispatches were to the effect that he desired Austria-Hungary to make concessions to Roumania for the purpose of keeping her out of the war.

This is the most important change made by either of the central powers during the war, their cabinets hitherto having remained virtually intact.

KING APPEARED IN PUBLIC FIRST TIME SINCE HIS ACCIDENT

London, Dec. 1.—For the first time since his return to England after his accident in France, the king left the palace to-day. He visited Queen Mother Alexandra, this being her 71st birthday.

DR. GRENFELL WILL GO TO FRONT SOON

Calgary, Dec. 1.—Dr. Wilfred Grenfell, the patron saint of Labrador, announced last night that he had cancelled a big lecture tour to go to the front. After fulfilling two more lecture engagements at Calgary and Edmonton he will leave immediately for New York, where he will join the second contingent from Harvard university, which is to leave almost immediately for France. The noted doctor will be attached to it as senior surgeon.

Dr. Grenfell stated that "if Christ was on earth to-day, he would be serving the cause at the front in uniform."

BRITISH AND SWEDISH STEAMSHIPS SENT DOWN

London, Dec. 1.—The British steamship King's Way, of 3,647 tons, has been sunk, according to announcement here to-day. The captain and 21 members of the crew were saved. Five are missing.

Presumably the vessel was sunk by a German submarine.

Copenhagen, Dec. 1.—The Swedish steamship Sabina has been torpedoed in the North Sea by a German submarine, according to an announcement here to-day. The crew was rescued and taken to Ymuden.

FORD AND HIS SHIP WOULD BE SENT BACK TO UNITED STATES



Cracking Up.

London, Dec. 1.—Should Henry Ford succeed in enlisting a shipload of Americans willing to discuss peace in Europe, and charter a ship with the intention of leading the party to Europe, Britain will forcibly stop the ship in order to save Ford and his associates "from themselves," officials here declared to-day.

Ford's strike plan, while not treated seriously, has occupied the attention of diplomats more or less. It seems understood that if Ford makes any real attempt to reach the battlefield he will be stopped. Officials say complications from the American manufacturer's misguided zeal are not desired.

One London editor suggests that the United States would do well to stop Ford's peace expedition before it starts, but he grants that such action is not likely.

Chicago, Dec. 1.—Mrs. W. I. Thomas, national secretary of the Women's Peace Party, said to-day she would accompany the Ford peace party to Europe.

Miss Jane Addams, who has been prevented by sudden illness from joining the Ford expedition, was reported resting comfortably this afternoon. It has not been determined whether an operation is necessary.

TEUTONIC CRITICS FORESEE TROUBLE

Realize Central Empires Face
Military and Diplomatic Dif-
ficulties in Balkans

London, Dec. 1.—The Balkan States continue to dominate both the military and diplomatic situations in Europe. Roumania's attitude apparently is causing the central powers great uneasiness, while Greece's refusal to limit her military effectiveness as requested by the entente is of concern to those powers.

Roumania is said to be awaiting only the presence in the Balkans of preponderant entente military forces before dispatching an ultimatum to Austria-Hungary. Teuton military critics, according to dispatches reaching London, express "considerable" dissatisfaction with conditions in the Balkans, predicting both military and diplomatic difficulties ahead despite the "brilliant" Serbian campaign of Field Marshal von Mackensen. Moreover, it is reported that Austria is opposed to the idea of Bulgarian domination of the Balkan States, and it is suggested that a desire to forestall any friction in this connection was responsible for the Kaiser's recent visit to Vienna.

Greece steadfastly refuses to concede the demands of the entente for the unrestricted use of the Greek port of Salonica as a base, and furthermore to remove her army from Macedonia.

Position at Monastir.

Except for the capture of Prirend by the Bulgarians, there has been no marked change in the Serbian military situation. The fate of Monastir, reported to have fallen before the Bulgarians, remains obscure notwithstanding definite reports that neutral consuls in the city had arranged to turn it over to the attackers after the withdrawal of the Serbians. Later dispatches that telegraphic communication with the city was still maintained indicated that it had not been entirely evacuated.

The eastern front has been comparatively quiet. The Russian forces are reported as having been strengthened greatly along the Riga line and as imbued with a confidence that they can shatter the German defenses whenever a forward move is deemed expedient.

Vienna admits that the Italians seem determined to capture Triest with the least possible loss of time.

BRITISH WILL MAKE SACRIFICES GLADLY

Will Bear Whatever Burdens
War May Impose, Says
Asquith

LABOR REPRESENTATIVES
HEAR PRIME MINISTER

Wage-Earners of United King-
dom Better Off Than
Before War

London, Dec. 1.—The firm belief that British shoulders are strong enough to bear whatever burdens the war may impose upon the country and that all classes will gladly incur the sacrifices which they may be called upon to make was expressed by Mr. Asquith to-day before a representative labor conference.

"Any excess of either profits or wages which does not find its way back to the state in loans or taxes, or is not employed in necessary industries or public services," he said, "is so much loss to the national revenue."

The prime minister explained that although some few industries were being injured by the war, according to the best estimate available, a substantial increase in wages since the beginning of hostilities.

"On the other hand," continued Mr. Asquith, "we have witnessed a substantial increase in the cost of living. Food has risen 40 per cent., rent 2 per cent., fuel and light 35 per cent., and clothing 30 per cent., but when allowance is made for the increased cost of living, I venture to say the wage-earners are better off than when the war began."

MUST BE BROUGHT INTO COURTROOM

Abstract of Agreement Be-
tween Hamburg-American
Line and German Govt.

New York, Dec. 1.—The abstract of the Hamburg-American line's agreement with the German government, whereby the former agreed to supply German cruisers at sea with coal and supplies in neutral ships sailing from American ports early in the war, has passed into the keeping of the German embassy at Washington.

Dr. Karl Buens, managing director of the line, no testified to-day at his trial—and that of three other line officials and employees—on charges of conspiracy, now nearing its close in the United States district court here.

Not only has the abstract of this agreement been given to the embassy for safekeeping, Dr. Buens testified, but all correspondence on the subject by letter or cable likewise has been formally turned over to the German government through the embassy at Washington.

The cablegrams, it was said, were in the German naval code and were removed to the embassy when it was thought there was danger of their becoming public through this trial, and thus revealing to representatives of Great Britain, France and Russia the key to the German secret code.

Many Cable Messages.
Notwithstanding the severing of the German cables to America by the British early in the war, the Hamburg-American line was in constant cable communication with Germany. Dr. Buens testified. These cablegrams, at the time the line sent out relief ships, told Dr. Buens where to send ships to meet German cruisers, notwithstanding the isolation of the warships from the German admiralty.

Government counsel strenuously objected to Dr. Buens's testimony concerning the abstract of the agreement and the cablegrams relating to the dispatch of relief ships. Roger B. Wood, assistant United States district attorney, contended that the documents themselves were available and that they should be brought into the courtroom. In this he was upheld by Judge Howe and Dr. Buens was not permitted to tell of their contents.

William Rand, Jr., counsel for the defense, sought to have the contents of the documents placed before the jury as Dr. Buens remembered them.

"We are willing to show you the translations," Mr. Rand said, "we cannot show you the originals. In the first place, we could not get them from any more than could the United States government. They are safe and fast in Germany's keeping."

"In the second place, we maintain that the government of the United States is not interested in the German secret code. If they were brought here they would become public property. The German code would become known
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GERMAN LOSSES TO NOV. 22, 3,700,000

Process of Attrition Plainly Indicated by the Casualty Lists

New York, Dec. 1.—A special cable to the World from London says: "Three million seven hundred thousand is the total number of casualties in the German army during the war up to and including November 22 last. "That the killed, wounded and missing amount to this vast number is shown by the official lists of German casualties, including No. 896, which has just been received at the London office of the New York World.

"Embraced in these lists are 10,306 pages. The newest lists maintain a daily average of 5,000. The localities where the losses are suffered are not mentioned in the lists. Entire companies of German infantry continue to be wiped out by the wholesale. List 798, dated November 20, announced that Major-General Freise, of Magdeburg, had been wounded seriously, and that Major von Semmern, of Blankenberg, had been wounded slightly.

"Heavy losses of non-commissioned officers remain the feature of almost every casualty list. Casualties among battalions of middle-aged men, consisting of landwehr and landsturm troops, are conspicuous in all the lists of Prussian, Bavarian, Wurttemberg and Saxon contingents."

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KILLED THE MAJORITY; CAPTURED EIGHTY-SIX

Russian Unit Destroyed Austrian Detachment on Left Bank of Sty

Petrograd, Dec. 1.—The following official communication was issued last evening: "In the Riga region yesterday there were successful actions by our artillery at several points. In the region southwest of Pines on Sunday evening, the enemy attacked the village of Komora, but the attack ceased at midday on Monday, and was not renewed.

"On Friday evening on the left bank of the Sty river, one of our units attacked a detachment of the enemy west of the village of Koolintch. After a bayonet fight, the greater part of the Austrians were killed, and three officers and 83 Austrian soldiers were taken prisoners. Our losses were four men killed and ten wounded.

"The front from the Gulf of Riga to the Roumanian frontier was calm yesterday.

"In the Caucasus coast region the Turks made various attempts to advance, but all of these attempts were arrested.

"On the front from the confluence of the Throk as far as the region of Khorassan, there have been skirmishes between scouts. In the mountain region of Kalk Ghidouka, east of the Euphrates, the Turks delivered an offensive in the direction of the village of Mullabekir, which was repulsed.

"On the remainder of the front the situation is unchanged."

SHIP DESTROYED BY INTERNAL EXPLOSION

German Report Germania Blown Up by British Submarine in Baltic Untrue

London, Dec. 1.—The following official statement was issued last evening in regard to the sinking of the German steamship Germania in the Baltic.

"A German wireless communication on the 11th instant contained a report that a German steamship, the Germania, had been blown up by a dynamite bomb placed on her by a British submarine. His majesty's government considers it well to record the true account of what took place.

"The commanding officer of a British submarine states that at noon of October 11, when between Uttingen and South Gotland, he sighted the Germania and signalled her to stop. The Germania disregarded the signal to stop, and continued to steam on. Shots were fired by the submarine to bring the vessel to and warn her that she was running on a sandbank.

"The Germania paid no attention to these signals, and ran ashore between Landbruk and Osterstengerund.

"The submarine, which hitherto had remained outside of Swedish territorial waters, then proceeded alongside with the object of saving the crew and salvaging the ship, but the latter was found abandoned. An hour was spent in an attempt to tow her off, but it was found impossible to move her. As the water by that time was gaining in the engine room, the British officer and his men returned to the submarine, taking with them the ship's papers for safe custody and a quantity of fresh meat for the use of the submarine's crew.

"The explosion referred to in the German wireless message, which is alleged to have taken place after the sailors had left the Germania, would appear to have been the result of the sea water coming into contact with the boilers. It certainly was not due to any attempt of the British sailors to destroy the vessel, which was bound to Stettin with a cargo of 2,750 tons of concentrated iron ore.

"The Germania was one of the several ships reported on October 12 to have been sunk by British submarines in the Baltic. It was afterwards declared that the Germania had made for shore and grounded, according to Swedish reports, in Swedish territorial waters, but that men from a British submarine, nevertheless, had boarded the Germania and taken away her papers.

FIGHTING BITTERLY ALONG THE ISONZO

Amsterdam, Dec. 1.—The fighting along the Isonzo is described by Archduke Joseph Ferdinand, the Austrian commander, as "the hell of the battlefields," in an interview forwarded by a correspondent of the Berliner Tageblatt.

The battle for the Gorizia bridgehead, still undecided, is said by the correspondent to be the bitterest and most bloody of the campaign. Airmen are playing an important part. The Italians are employing great battleplanes of a new type. These armored flying machines, thirty yards long, are equipped with three motors and two or three machine guns.

GERMAN TRENCHES IN ALSACE SHATTERED

Paris, Dec. 1.—The following official statement was issued last night: "The day has been one of rain, mist and thaw in the Champagne. Beyond the usual cannonade nothing has been reported on the entire front other than grenade fighting in the Artois district, in the region of Loos, and in Alsace, where effective firing by our artillery shattered enemy trenches to the north of Muebach, in the valley of the Fecht."

ROOSEVELT AT TORONTO.

Toronto, Dec. 1.—The announcement in made that Col. Theodore Roosevelt has accepted an invitation to address a recruiting meeting in Toronto on Saturday, December 11.

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Swiss Writer Shows Germany's Resources in Men Cannot Stand Strain

London, Dec. 1.—On the basis of arithmetic, "which is the only thing that never changes in this world," Col. Feyler, a military critic, writes in the Journal de Geneve to prove that Germany and her allies, because of the ever decreasing number of men, can never hope to emerge victorious from the war.

"The longer the fronts," says Col. Feyler, "or the less the troops are massed in depths, the more rapid is the disappearance of the elite. In the beginning of the war Germany lost her young men, then somewhat older ones, until death began to reap the grizzled heads, victory meanwhile slipping from the grasp of her decimated battalions."

The allied powers, while also suffering great losses of men, Col. Feyler argues, do not suffer nearly so heavily as Germany, whose army, fighting on the longest front, suffers the most rapid diminution. He continues: "For three Germans killed or put out of action per kilometre and per day on a front of 1,200 kilometres the empire loses in one year, roughly, 1,300,000 men out of a population of 70,000,000, or one-fifty-fourth of the total.

"On a front of 1,000 kilometres Russia, with a population of 160,000,000, loses only one-one-hundred-and-sixtieth, or three times less. On a front of 400 kilometres France, with 40,000,000 inhabitants, without counting her colonial populations, loses 450,000, or one-ninetieth.

"Lastly, Great Britain, on a front of 130 kilometres, loses one-three-hundred-and-forty-sixth of the population of the United Kingdom, exclusive of the colonies."

With these figures as a basis, the military observer says Germany might be able to hold out another year; France, after Germany, would be hardest hit, being able to last only two years, while Russia and Great Britain would last much longer. Col. Feyler argues that Britain might extend her front considerably, and when France is worn out could take her place from the Swiss frontier to the Belgian coast.

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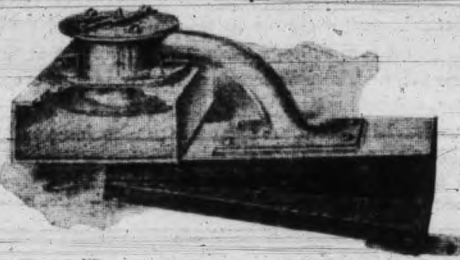


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Paris, Dec. 1.—The famous statue, The Smile of Rheims, shattered in the bombardment of Rheims cathedral, has been preserved. The Societe Nationale des Beaux Arts announced today that fragments broken from the figure have been collected and replaced.

TURKISH SOLDIERS TO GUARD BULGARIAN COAST

Paris, Dec. 1.—Bad weather continues on both the Bulgarian fronts in Serbia, making operations impossible, says a dispatch to the Havas Agency from Salonica, dated November 29.

"News from a reliable source says that 20,000 Turkish troops will be sent to the Bulgarian Black Sea coast.

"The Austrians have shipped some 305 mortars to Bulgaria, for the defence of districts where the Germans have installed hydro-aeroplane hangars."

TWO ARE DYING.

Medford, Ore., Dec. 1.—Shortly before noon yesterday, E. J. Kaiser, postmaster of Ashland for thirty years, editor of the Ashland Record, and a prominent politician, was wounded, probably fatally, by William Greenfield, a mail clerk, who then shot himself through the head and is dying. The shooting occurred in the Ashland post office. No cause is known for the act. Kaiser was shot through the head.

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WASHINGTON INQUIRES ABOUT TWO VESSELS

Whether British Are Taking Hocking and Genesee Without Prize Court Proceedings

Washington, Dec. 1.—The state department has instructed Ambassador Page, at London, to inquire of the British government whether two vessels of the American Trans-Atlantic company, seized while flying the American flag, are to be requisitioned without the formality of prize court proceedings.

The ambassador was directed to file a vigorous protest against such a measure should he receive an affirmative answer. The department acted upon information from Richard Wagner, president of the company, who telegraphed he had been advised by the captain of the steamships Hocking, detained at Halifax, and Genesee, detained at St. Lucia, that attorneys for the British government were to make moves to-day looking toward the requisitioning of the vessels.

The Hocking and the Genesee formerly were German vessels and were transferred to the American flag. Following the settled policy of the British government regarding vessels so treated, the two were detained.

CASUALTIES AMONG CANADIAN SOLDIERS

Ottawa, Dec. 1.—The following casualty list was issued last night:

Third Canadian Infantry Headquarters—Wounded: Sgt. Major R. Young, Winnipeg.

Fourth Battalion—Killed in action: Pte. Geo. Wellsford, Buckingham, Que. Died of wounds: Pte. Henry Kerr, Ottawa; Sgt. Geo. Clark, Ottawa.

Third Battalion—Killed by one of our own bombs while demonstrating its use on November 18: Pte. O. M. Robertson, Scotland.

Wounded: Pte. W. L. Sampson, England; Cpl. Arthur Nottingham, England; Pte. P. G. Fraser, Scotland. Suffering from shock and slight shrapnel wound: Pte. A. F. Price, England.

Fourth Battalion—Killed in action: Pte. Thos. Shepard, Kingston, Ont.

Fifth Battalion—Killed in action: Pte. J. R. Johnston, Elphinstone, Man. Died of wounds: Pte. Duncan McKenzie, Prince Albert, Sask.

Seventh Battalion—Killed in action: Pte. John Meade, New South Wales.

Wounded: Pte. G. A. James, England; Pte. F. L. Daly, Calgary.

Died of wounds: Pte. J. French, Scotland.

Eighth Battalion—Wounded: Pte. C. A. Mitchell, Listowel, Ont.

Fourteenth Battalion—Wounded: Sgt. Major Wm. Bonshon, England; Pte. R. J. Woodward, Toronto.

Fifteenth Battalion—Wounded: Pte. H. Atherton, Simco, Ont.

Nineteenth Battalion—Killed in action: Pte. Geo. Constable, Toronto.

Twentieth Battalion—Killed in action: Pte. F. T. Lowe, Niagara Falls, Ont.; Pte. Kenneth Gallinger, Stamford, Ont.

Severely wounded: Pte. Edward Macdon, Port McNicoll, Ont.

Twenty-first Battalion—Died of wounds: Pte. F. A. Jefferies, Little Britain, Ont.; Pte. Charles Wendt, Ottawa.

Twenty-fourth Battalion—Wounded: Pte. A. D. Macdonald, Rigaud, Que.

Killed in action: Pte. Thos. Smythe, West Toronto.

Twenty-sixth Battalion—Killed in action: Pte. C. Vigott, England; Pte. Albert Bird, England; Pte. Wm. Therant, Dalhousie, N. B.; Lieut. Cpl. Harbert Meacham, St. John's, Nfld.

Died of wounds: Pte. Edward Miller, England.

Wounded: Pte. Albert Porter, England; Pte. J. McElhenny, Monticello, Maine.

Wounded, but now on duty: Pte. Harry Maine, St. John, N. B.

Suffering from concussion: Pte. Henry Bainbridge, England.

Twenty-eighth Battalion—Wounded: Pte. P. R. Benson, England.

Suffering from shock: Pte. Geo. Stuart, Vermilion, Alta.

Thirty-first Battalion—Dangerously wounded: Pte. E. C. Collins, Calgary.

Thirty-fourth Battalion—Died of tuberculosis: Pte. Douglas Jeffery, England.

Thirty-ninth Battalion—Seriously ill: Lieut. Harold C. Young, Red Deer, Alta.

Forty-second Battalion—Killed in action: Pte. Geo. Cox, Montreal.

Second Canadian Mounted Rifles—Died: Lieut. John B. Clibberd, Strathcona, Alta.

Seriously ill: Pte. R. Featherstone, Regina.

Fourth Canadian Mounted Rifles—Slightly wounded; now on duty: Pte. Wm. Sinclair, Toronto.

Third Field Company Canadian Engineers—Slightly wounded; now on duty: Sapper Alexander M. MacDougall, Vancouver.

Attached to Pay Office—Died: Sgt. C. D. Scott, England.

FRANCE WILL CALL UP CLASS OF 1917

Paris, Dec. 1.—By a rising vote yesterday the chamber of deputies passed the bill authorizing the minister of war to call to the colors the 1917 class without specifying any date.

Deputy Raffin-Dugene, while explaining his vote, asserted that several of the chiefs had discarded for human life. He was called to order, and his remarks were formally noted. M. Deschamps, president of the chamber, saying that he could not allow the army to be insulted in the chamber.

TURNS ON HINGES ATTACHED TO BRITAIN

German Writer Admits British Control Germany's Door to World; Food Shortage

London, Dec. 1.—It is believed here that the food crisis in Germany is reaching alarming proportions despite the strict censorship of the German government, which is unable to disguise the facts revealed in all German newspapers that come here.

These newspapers devote columns to the food problem, riots resulting from it and prices which are soaring all the time. Serious troubles are occurring in many cities as a consequence of the shortage, and the advertising columns carry series of announcements of what supplies are on hand. On account of the lack of food-stuffs substitutes are offered in the shape of chemical preparations which are being invented daily.

The Lokal Anzeiger displays in a single issue advertisements of artificial omelets and butter, chemical honey and marmalade, artificial coffee, milk, egg powder, starch and syrup.

Chancellor's Words.

Popular indignation vents itself on the dealers, who are blamed for the high prices and are accused of speculating in the misery of the people. The Social Democrats protested to the imperial chancellor, Dr. von Bethmann-Hollweg, demanding immediate action, and received the following reply:

"While the people may rest assured that the expectations of our enemies being able to conquer us by starving us out will ultimately be found to be baseless, they should also keep always present in their minds the fact that the rise in the cost of living above what is normal is not due solely to the reprehensible covetousness of the middlemen but rather is also to be attributed to quite natural causes, such as the scarcity of foodstuffs. All peoples participating in this war are suffering more or less from the higher cost of living."

"I am convinced that all parties will be at one with the government in this, namely, that in continuing to dismise the best means of lessening the cost of the necessities of life they will remember to practice in the home just as in the field that sense of sacrifice and heroism, which is characteristic of our troops, qualities which have been the very foundation of our successes up to the present, and which must remain as our primary national principle until the successful issue of the campaign has been achieved."

The Cologne Gazette's columns show that the price of food continues to go up daily, and no official orders or enactments appear to be able to stop the increase. In view of the extreme seriousness of the situation it is expected that the imperial chancellor will be authorized within a few days to levy a tax on the most necessary and popular articles of consumption, such as vegetables, particularly onions, cabbages, carrots, turnips and fruit; natural and artificial honey, as well as all products serving as substitutes for butter or coffee. A special tax also will be put on fats, tea, cocoa and all other colonial produce, which now command exorbitant prices.

Dangerous Plan.

This is recognized as a somewhat dangerous procedure to adopt, but in view of the agitated state of public opinion and the irritation among large masses of the population, the German leaders believe that some drastic action must be taken, however imperative, to insure the universal practice of economy during these difficult days.

The Munich Neueste Nachrichten says that coffee house proprietors are lamenting the institution of milkless days as a result of a new ordinance, which has caused two-thirds of their daily customers, whose wont it was to drink coffee at their establishments each morning while discussing the news of the day with acquaintances, to absent themselves.

"We sympathize with the coffee house restaurant trade," says the Neueste Nachrichten. "It already is suffering heavy losses on account of the war, but we are convinced that the old patrons will return to their favorite haunts as soon as they have habituated themselves to the new order and once that their palates grow accustomed to the taste of black coffee or its substitute."

The same paper, while admitting that the crisis is serious, asserts that the situation was brought on by Germans who were thrifty and eager to economize. The paper says:

"Our enemies are busy seeking complaints about the dearth of food here to inspire them with fresh hopes for the starvation of Germany, whereas the economic conditions in the countries of our adversaries are certainly as bad as with us. Our enemies, however, will soon be forced to the conviction that in our case it was not the want of necessities but the national will to establish equitable conditions for all that led to the new regulations, and that it is precisely through these very regulations that the power of resistance of the German people is now being strengthened."

"The speculations of our foes regarding Germany's starvation are, therefore, once more doomed to failure. Their calculations are false. We can and shall hold out until we have secured a peace fully proportionate to the glorious deeds of our armies."

"Silly Prejudice."

The Tages Zeitung says: "Abroad they are already jubilant at the prospect that the German people sooner or later will abandon their meat. This is nonsense of course. The German people will continue to have at their disposal all the meat they really need for their nourishment. If only it becomes their conscious economic

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"Singt mit mir das ehrenreiche den phnizer der kartoffel!"

"Sing with me the triumphal song of the potato plant."

"Surely it is not too much to ask them to abstain from a meat diet two days a week. We fail to understand why here and there it is asserted that a daily consumption of meat is an indispensable necessity. This is nothing but silly prejudice, founded on tradition."

Hopes have been raised recently, it is said, for supplies which it will be possible to get through a new route to the Balkans. That food is obtainable for Germany from Asia Minor is denied by an expert, writing in Die Post, who says:

"The advantages of a clear land route connecting the central empires with their friends at the Golden Horn make it quite obvious as to what Turkey lacks in an industrial way. Products henceforth will be supplied to her from Germany, and she shall receive from her in return as much raw material as is required to render our economic situation easier in this regard. However, we must not allow ourselves to be deceived by any fantasies based on what may happen in the future. Turkey, of course, is not so far removed from us as she once might have become, but we are not in a position to avail ourselves at the present day of anything she may be able to let us have in the future."

"Before our dream of Berlin to Bagdad becomes a reality we shall first have to await the results of a few decades of German labor and a few millions of German capital at work. Then our theory of a self-supporting economic region, closed to outsiders and stretching from the North Sea to the Persian Gulf, will be translated into practice. Our successes in the Balkans are taking us no nearer to the cotton crops, worth millions of marks, which are not yet growing in Asia Minor."

"Let us, therefore, for the time being keep our eyes fixed on our military battles. The hopes in the Balkans which we are founding on their successful outcome should not be allowed to distract our attention from the remaining theatres of war."

British Controls Door.

The Rheinisch Westfalische Zeitung also warns Germans against overestimating the importance of a long connection with the Near East, saying that the "idea of a Balkan-Bagdad railway, supporting the burden of our economic life is a fantasy."

"The German nation is not situated at the Dardanelles nor in the Persian Gulf, but it is on the North Sea and will be free only if the North Sea is kept free. It is impossible to-day to answer the question as to how far the British domination of the sea can be broken. The German people must not be deceived by fantasies into overlooking the fact that our door to the world turns on hinges attached to Great Britain."

A scientist named Dr. Stanjak, writing in the Berliner Tageblatt, proclaims that the enemy's plans to starve Germany have failed, thanks to the potato, which he has hailed as the savior of the fatherland. He suggests that a hymn be written, not of hate, but of the great boon of the potato.

"You have sung hymns to heroes," says the doctor. "On the field of battle you have called down the wrath of God upon our enemies. You have composed poems in honor of our guns, our feet and other things which have helped us in the war, but you have ignored the potato, which is frustrating our

Vienna, Dec. 1.—The following official statement was issued yesterday:

"On the Italian front it becomes clearer that the enemy will at all costs force a victory near Gorizia, if it is at all possible to do so. Yesterday their attacks were directed against the entire front from Tolmino to the sea, and with special severity against both our bridgeheads on the northern part of the plateau of Doberdo."

"The attacks against our mountain positions north of Tolmino were kept. The bridgehead of Tolmino was kept under constant fire the whole after-

noon. These strong attacks against the northern sector, and several weaker attacks against the southern sector, followed. All were repulsed with heavy enemy losses.

"Several attacks against Piava were repulsed.

"Before the bridgehead of Gorizia, very strong Italian forces gathered from all fronts of the enemy line and attacked near Osilava. We withdrew from a small portion of the front.

"During the night Gorizia again was bombarded with hundreds of shells of all calibres. In the Doberdo sector, after four hours of artillery preparation, the enemy began a stubborn attack against Monte San Michele and San Martino."

KAISER MUST BE CAST DOWN, STATES HALDANE

London, Dec. 1.—Viscount Haldane, former lord high chancellor, discussing the possibilities of peace, during a meeting in King's hall last night, declared that peace was more to be desired than any other thing at the present moment. Nevertheless, the speaker predicted that no peace negotiations would be considered by Great Britain or her allies until the Kaiser and the German war party had been thrown out of the saddle by the German democracy.

"The allies of a century ago," said Viscount Haldane, "were quite ready to make peace with France, but not with Napoleon. So, to-day, until we can deal with the real German people, whom we can trust and whom we know as sane contributors of many good things to the world's civilization, but who have temporarily yielded their place to false leaders, we do not care to talk peace."

FORCES AT RENI WERE REVIEWED BY THE CZAR

Bucharest, Dec. 1.—Emperor Nicholas, attended by Count Fredericks, minister of the imperial house; General Vockoff and Admiral Nitoff, has held a review of Russian troops about half a mile from Reni, on the Bessarabian-Roumanian frontier. His Majesty especially praised the Turkish Chasseurs and other forces that had won distinction through the Galician campaign. During his majesty's visit to the munitions factories the workmen shouted: "We look forward to victory."

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THE PATRIOTIC FUND.

The campaign in aid of the Victoria Patriotic Fund is now under way. If the interest and enthusiasm shown at the mobilization gathering at the armory yesterday evening faithfully represent the attitude of the general public towards this meritorious movement the society will have no difficulty in raising the \$200,000 required to cover its work for the coming year.

As a matter of fact, in consideration of the object of the fund and the commanding circumstances underlying it, the amount sought is not at all large for a city the size and prominence of Victoria.

A CHANGED VIEW.

It is now a little more than sixteen months since Germany precipitated the general European war. It is safe to say that on the day she set her great machine in motion there was not a solitary individual in the empire, from the Kaiser to his humblest subject, who was not certain that the struggle would be short, sharp and decisive; that within six months Germany would be the supreme arbiter of Europe and that she would have reached that dazzling eminence with a minimum of loss in blood and treasure. They were sure of Paris; their espionage system had led them to believe that France was not prepared to interpose any formidable resistance and that she would capitulate just as soon as she saw her beautiful capital in German hands. The spring from the Rhine to Paris would take three weeks, with an extra week's allowance for unforeseen delay.

Russia's downfall would take longer, but it was decreed on the tablets of Potsdam; Austria, holding the slowly mobilizing Muscovites behind the Vistula, would pave the way for the onslaught which within six weeks of the declaration of war was to place the conquering legions of Germany on the Vltava-Petrograd railway. That would be sufficient for Russia, which would see the folly of continuing the struggle with her ally France prostrate. Meanwhile Austria would have crushed Serbia and extinguished Slav nationalism forever in the Balkans. All this would be accomplished in six months with an outside loss to Germany of half a million men and at the cost of a billion dollars, which France would have to pay. That was the programme in which every German implicitly believed. It was proclaimed from the house-tops, yet not one item on it has been carried out. Her people have been fed upon delusion after delusion until they can digest no more. Maximilian Harden, editor of Die Zukunft, now warns them that they must expect a war of exhaustion.

He ridicules the German talk about Swedish intervention and the idea that Russia will conclude a separate peace. He says he considers it no sign of strength that the German government steadily refuses to disclose "its war aims," and blames the government for making "too much noise" about food regulations.

Harden says further that the soil of Germany is free and her armies are everywhere in enemy territory, but

that none of her enemies has been disarmed, that none of them seems near collapse, and that the mightiest of them, Great Britain, cannot honestly be said to be even seriously wounded. All of them, he says, believe piously and sincerely that they will be victorious and they are absolutely determined to secure victory by all possible means.

Harden points out that Russia is "farther than ever from that decline which we, in our madness, so eagerly believed," and says it is folly to suppose that any of the entente allies are ready to conclude a peace.

The Germans are learning something about the war they boasted was to be a picnic. The spectacles of sixteen months ago are now in the rubbish heap.

A SHOW-DOWN SOON?

If any Serbian soldiers retiring from Monastir have entered Greece the government at Athens will have to declare its intentions without any further side-stepping. There can be no doubt that the allies would regard the internment of fugitive Serbians as a hostile act and that they would govern themselves accordingly in their attitude to Greece.

Constantine is reported to have declared that no matter what Greece did neither Great Britain nor France would punish her harshly, whereas Germany would show her no mercy. If by that he presumed that the entente powers would not treat Greece as they would any other belligerent enemy he is greatly mistaken and ought to be disillusioned. If Greece co-operated with Germany in this struggle the allies would be compelled in their own interests to bombard her towns, seize her shipping and her islands and blockade her ports just as tightly as they are blockading the ports of Germany.

Under the circumstances we do not wonder that Mr. Price seems terribly anxious to accentuate the fact that he is and always has been "honorary" secretary of the Victoria Conservative Association.

The Toronto Telegram suggests a Tag Day for Mackenzie & Mann, who, it says, have exhausted every other source of financial assistance. Our

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Toronto contemporary may yet repeat in sackcloth and ashes for having ventured the suggestion.

The Roumanian parliament celebrated its opening yesterday by a free-for-all between government and opposition members after the King had read the speech from the throne. The Roumanian interventionists are determined to have some kind of a fight, anyway.

This from the Boston Transcript is interesting and considerable of a jolt: "Germany thought she could go to war with the world without having any country fight back, and she missed her guess with everyone except the United States."

THE TEST OF DEMOCRACY.

London News and Leader.

This is the hour when democracy is being weighed in the balance, not in this land only, but in every land. There can only be one victor in the struggle. It will not be France or Germany, Britain or Russia. It will be the victory of a principle that will run through all the nations, those that lose as well as those that win. It will be the victory of despotism or the victory of freedom, of the governance of the sword or of the governance of the spirit over the whole theatre of human life.

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TWENTY-FIVE YEARS AGO TO-DAY

Victoria Times, December 1, 1890.

Mr. Alexander Dunsmuir has decided to build on his property, on Victoria Arm, facing Craigflower road. The site is one of the finest in the city.

The law firm of Davis & Bodwell is dissolved. Mr. Davis has retired, and Mr. P. A. E. Irving will be associated with Mr. Bodwell, under the name of Bodwell & Irving. Mr. Irving has gained invaluable experience in the department of the attorney-general, of which he has had the almost exclusive control for a number of years.

A gentleman who has been experimenting with Kentish cob nuts has had his labor rewarded by a good crop here. This is the first time, as far as is known, that the nut has been grown in this climate.

The name of Sutton Green post office at Cowichan Lake has been changed to Cowichan Lake P. O.

DEFECTIVE TEETH

Examinations of school children have shown as high as 70 per cent. with defective teeth.

Surveys of some sections of the country have shown less than 50 per cent. using tooth brushes, a thing happily not true everywhere.

We are paying more attention to the small things that make for bodily health.

Advertising has been one of the weakensers of public thought.

It is spreading the gospel of clean, healthy teeth as well as cleaner and better modes of living.

The advertising columns of the times tell the constructive story very day.

Anglican S. S. Teachers.—The Anglican S. S. teachers training class are requested to meet to-morrow in the cathedral vestry at 8 p. m.

Annual Bazaar.—The Ladies' Aid of James Bay Methodist church will hold their annual bazaar on the afternoon and evening of December 2. There will be tables of home cooking, fancy work, dolls, candy and plants. The booth of children's clothes will be of special interest to mothers. Surprises are in store for boys and girls. Afternoon tea will be served, and a good programme given in the evening.

Illustrated Lecture.—Under the auspices of the Woman's Missionary society of St. Aidan's church, Mount Tolmie, an illustrated lecture will be given to-morrow evening by Rev. W. L. Macrae on "A Trip Beginning at the Ansores, and Extending Through the Mediterranean to India, Egypt, Greece and Pompeii." A collection will be taken on behalf of the missions.

Argentine's Contribution.—A subscriber has called attention to an interesting statement appearing in the Lancet of November 6: "The Argentine has sent more than 5,000 men to the firing line, which means almost every unmarried man of military age of British origin living in that republic. Over 4,000 of them paid their own fares, the rest being assisted by the local British committee."

Men's Services.—A men's service will be held at the First Presbyterian church on Sunday evening, Rev. J. G. Inkster, the minister is anxious to find out on what proportion men and women respectively attend the church services, and so the men will occupy the seats on the ground floor, while the women will be seated in the balcony. All the solos and quartettes will be by male voices.

Missionary Speaking.—On Friday evening of this week, the Rev. Dr. Gould, of Toronto, and Rev. D. M. Rose, missionary designate to India, are expected to address a joint meeting of the Diocese of W. A. and the Anglican S. S. Association of Victoria, in the cathedral schoolroom at 8 p. m. A large attendance is expected and those desiring to hear these well-known speakers are advised to be on hand in good time and secure good seats.

Annual Sale of Work.—From 3 to 10 p. m. to-morrow the cathedral branch of the Junior W. A. will hold their annual sale of work in the schoolroom, Quadra street. The bazaar will be opened by Mrs. Schofield, and there will be an opportunity for everyone to purchase Christmas gifts at very reasonable prices. During the evening musical selections will be rendered and fancy dances will be given by some of the pupils of St. George's school. No admission will be charged.

Metropolitan Choir Concert.—On Thursday night at the Salvation Army Citadel on Broad street the Metropolitan choir will give a splendid programme of music and song. The programme includes numbers from the following artists, besides special pieces by the choir, conducted by G. A. Downard: Mrs. S. Morton, Mrs. Ticker and Miss Loney, all contralto soloists; Miss Ede and Miss Bell, sopranos; A. Marwood, bass soloists; and Ensign Merritt, concertina selection. The choir will be taken by Rev. C. T. Scott, and the programme will commence at 8 o'clock.

Matinee at Oak Bay.—An entertainment is to be given to-morrow afternoon and evening in the Avenue theatre, Oak Bay. A special matinee has been arranged for the children, the programme to consist of moving pictures, the choir, conducted by G. A. Downard, and a variety of songs, and last of all a Punch and Judy show. The admission is only ten cents. In the evening the following programme will be given: Song, Cpl. St. John; song, Miss Peggy Pearce; sleight-of-hand, Sgt. Burton; comic song, Sgt. Rooney; song, Mrs. Roy Trapp; ventriloquist, Sgt. Morrison. There will be special moving pictures. Mrs. A. I. Gibson will be the accompanist, and Rev. G. H. Andrews will be in the chair. Admission to the evening performance will be 25 cents.

The Women's Canadian Club.—A very successful club yesterday held in the Alexandra club yesterday afternoon, the programme being in the hands of the High school pupils. The members of the Portia club, who won the Canadian club prizes for public speaking repeated their addresses which proved very entertaining and instructive. Miss Ellen Hart spoke of "Mexico," Miss Walsh's subject was "Fairy Tales," and Miss Patricia Smith reviewed the work of women in the present war. The addresses were interspersed with selections from the High school orchestra of fifteen pieces, under the leadership of Mr. Macey. All present expressed great surprise and delight with the achievements of this recently organized orchestra, whose wide scope is evidenced by their selections—"Apollo Overture," "Gillietta," and "Mercedes." The club is sure to turn out in force to hear them again at the concert which they are giving in the auditorium of the High school in aid of the Red Cross on December 10. The club decided to hold a Christmas tree for the children of the soldiers, and the executive will meet Friday at 10.30 to consider plans.

GOES TO ENGLAND.

Harry Acton Left This Afternoon to Take Up Commission in the Old Country.

Harry Acton, of 624 Battery street, left for England this afternoon in order to take out a commission in the British army. Mr. Acton, who was a teller in the main office of the Royal bank in this city, resigned his position with the bank, and has paid his own transportation to the old country in order that he might take his place among the defenders of the empire.

Since coming to British Columbia three years ago, Mr. Acton has been in the service of the Royal bank at Hazelton, Prince Rupert and Victoria. While at Hazelton he was prominent in starting a rifle club, and even in that locality where every man is accustomed to using a rifle, he was admittedly one of the best marksmen. In addition he was a tennis player of considerable ability.

Mr. Acton is a graduate of Cambridge university, and before coming to Canada had taken a two years' course with the officers' training corps of that university. Being unable to enlist in the ranks of the local overseas battalions, on account of defective eyesight, he has gone to the old country at his own expense to do his part there.

For the last fifteen months Mr. Acton resided in Victoria, and was deservedly popular amongst a large circle of friends.

As a parting farewell he was the guest at a gathering of friends at a dinner party last evening.

BANK CLEARINGS.

November Returns Are Better Than Most Months of Year; Building Permits.

The bank clearings for the month of November were \$6,553,342, as compared with \$6,165,812 in November, 1914, and \$12,778,795 in the corresponding month of 1913.

An examination of the returns for the eleven months to date show that November was the third best from volume of business transacted, being surpassed only by January and April. The remaining month of the year is always a good one, on account of Christmas shopping, so that total clearing of some \$80,000,000 for the year may reasonably be anticipated.

Building permits last month were valued at \$10,950, as against \$19,135 twelve months ago. There were 16 permits issued.

Building Permit.—A building permit has been issued to F. J. Webster for a private garage on Ellice street.

Sanich License Commission.—The statutory meeting of the Sanich license commission, when the licenses will come up for renewal, will be held to-day week.

Annual Sale.—The guild of St. Paul's Naval and Garrison church, Esquimalt, will hold their annual sale of work to-morrow afternoon at 3 o'clock. There will be all manner of attractive articles, and good support is anticipated.

Ward Four, Sanich.—A meeting of the Ward Four, Sanich Ratepayers association will be held on Monday to make a selection of a candidate for the ward at the forthcoming election. Councillor O'Connell has stated that he will not again be a candidate.

St. John Ambulance Association.—The following candidates who were successful in passing their examinations in "first aid" and "home nursing" respectively, are requested to call for their certificates at Williams' drug store, corner Fort and Government streets. First Aid—Mrs. Mary Johnson, Miss Constance M. Davis, Home Nursing—Miss Mary Pew, Mrs. Clara I. Story, Mrs. Mildred Sprague, Miss Gladys M. Carveth.

Canon Gould's Visit.—A meeting has been arranged at Christ Church schoolroom, on Friday, December 3, at 8 p. m. for the members of the Sunday School association, the Women's Auxiliary and all who are interested in the missionary work of the Canadian church. Canon Gould, general secretary of the M. S. C. C. and the Rev. D. M. Rose, will be the speakers. Canon Gould's recent visit to the foreign field and his well-known ability as a powerful and earnest speaker, should fill the room to its utmost capacity. The Rev. D. M. Rose, well-known for his splendid work in the Laymen's Missionary movement, will also give an address.

Jubilee Hospital, W. A.—Mrs. Andrew Wright in the absence of the president, Mrs. C. W. Rhodes, presided at the regular monthly meeting of the Women's Auxiliary of the Provincial Jubilee hospital held in the Y. W. C. A. restaurant yesterday afternoon. Mrs. R. Green and Mrs. Collins, the visiting committee, reported having visited the hospital, and expressed themselves as thoroughly satisfied with the efficiency of the institution. New stoves had been installed in the various wards, but there was a shortage of cooking utensils, and to rectify this the purchasing committee was given authority to purchase the necessary articles. The sum of \$50, on motion of Mrs. Phipp, seconded by Mrs. Green, is to be devoted to the purchase of Christmas cheer for the hospital. Mrs. Collins and Mrs. Hartman to do the shopping.

Dreads Thought of Old Age

Almost every person dreads the thought of old age, yet it ought to bring relaxation and enjoyment, because of ripened judgment and experience. Years of happiness may be added to one's life by avoiding worry, a simple diet, light exercise and if the vitality gets low, our local druggist, D. E. Campbell, guarantees Vinol to restore strength and vitality. It is a non-secret remedy in which are combined cod liver extractives, peptonate of iron and beef peptone, in a mild tonic wine. Feeble old people quickly regain strength and vitality by its use.

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So seldom does one have the opportunity of purchasing any of the latest and most popular standard songs at a reduction that it would be folly not to take advantage of it. Here are a few titles we have:

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Pickles Made Here.—The Western Pickle company, Victoria, has placed an extensive exhibit of their business in the office of the Victoria and Island Development association. There is also an enormous cucumber on view measuring twenty-eight inches long and five in diameter. It was grown at the Quadra Greenhouse.

Sends Souvenir.—The premier yesterday dispatched to the Duke of Connaught a handsome book souvenir of the visit of the governor-general to British Columbia this year. It contains views of the provincial military camps, of the public buildings, and a picture of the H. M. S. Kent at Esquimalt. There is a very striking pen and ink drawing of the facade of the parliament buildings by Miss Florence Terry.

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AT THE THEATRES

ROYAL VICTORIA.

The strong five-reel feature, "The Marked Woman," with Barbara Tennant in the star role, will be shown at the Royal Victoria for the last time tonight. It is a story of the Boxer uprising in China. Its heroine is a Russian girl, and its hero a naval lieutenant who rescues her from the castle of a Boxer prince. Few directors take the trouble to get such perfect settings as seen in "The Marked Woman." The imperial courts, the garden scenes, ocean shores, houses, high walls and courts all are thoroughly Chinese and pleasing. The whole offering from first to last is filled with things that will both astonish and please. In addition to the above feature there is also shown a Pathe News with views of more than ordinary interest.

ATTRACTION AT COLUMBIA.

Those who have not already seen the big Vitaphone special feature, "The Man Who Couldn't Beat God," at the Columbia theatre, should not miss this last opportunity of doing so, as it is one of the best Big Four productions yet shown here, being exceptionally well staged and acted.

The well-known movie star, Maurice Costello, plays the leading role, and gives a perfect representation of the man, who having committed a wilful murder, tries to forget his crime amid new surroundings, but whose conscience brings back the gruesome act at moments of his greatest triumphs, finally leading him back to the scene of the crime where he pays the penalty.

As an added attraction to-night the management will purchase at 3 o'clock two of last week's programmes, paying \$10 and \$5 in gold for them respectively.



CYRIL MAUDE

In "Peer Gynt" at the Dominion theatre.

I consider it a mark of great prudence in a man to abstain from threats or any contemptuous expressions, for neither of these weakens the enemy.—Machiavelli.

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S. A. OFFICER LEAVES

Commissioner Sawton En Route for Alaska After Week-End Visit to Victoria.

Commissioner and Mrs. Sawton left on Monday for the Salvation Army colony at Combs, en route for Alaska, where they will inspect all the Salvation Army missionary posts before returning to Winnipeg.

During their stay over the week-end in Victoria the commissioner addressed a number of meetings, the most interesting of which was perhaps that of Saturday night when he spoke at length about his sojourn in India in the service of the Salvation Army. Referring to some of the special work done by the world-wide organization in the Indian empire the commissioner stated that the government had given to the Salvationists in India special charge of the criminal caste. All professions and trades in the empire, as was well-known, belonged hereditarily to certain castes, the sons with unbroken continuity following the calling of the father and remaining of the same caste. The criminal castes went on from generation to generation in the same way, and by those who belonged to them the profession of thief was more honorable than that of priest. It was these castes which the Salvation Army had taken for their special charge to reform, and already on an extensive scale they were being taught weaving, farming and other peaceful and moral occupations.

The commissioner also addressed, besides the several meetings at the citadel on Sunday, a meeting of the Y. M. C. A. men's class. His topic was "The Salvation Army and the War," and in the course of his talk he stated that there were 20,000 Salvationists now fighting in the trenches. Mrs. Sawton spoke on Monday to the Women's league.

Efforts are being made to induce the Chinese government to interest the people in setting out indigo plants wherever the poppy was formerly grown.

IN ANTWERP DURING THE BOMBARDMENT

Mlle. Portia, Playing at Pantages, Gives Story of Experiences

"There are some experiences which burn themselves into one's mind, and stay there for ever."

The speaker was Mlle. Portia, the bright and pretty Frenchwoman, who, with her three sisters, is taking part in a sensational gymnastic act at Pantages theatre. She used the above words in describing to the Times her experiences in Antwerp when the German bombardment of the great seaport on the Scheldt.

"My stay in Antwerp was one of these," she said. "I had property there, and I lost every stick and stone of it. I was playing in the Scala theatre there when the advance on Antwerp was begun. For days the brave Belgians were pressed back. What could they do? The forces against them were overwhelming. But the Germans never got them. They have never got any big body of either Frenchmen or Belgians or British. All they have won is a few barren victories, the seizure of cities and towns which meant immense sacrifices of life—but their first real victory is yet to come."

Horrors of Bombardment.

Mlle. Portia, with a true Parisienne's wealth of gesture, went on to tell of the horrors of bombardment; of the terrible hiss of the bursting shrapnel; of the big floating black clouds which heralded the arrival of the big explosive shells; of demolished houses and damaged churches, and all the oft-repeated terrors which have made Ypres, Louvain and Termonde hotbeds of broken bricks and mortar. She described also the arrival of the German advance guard into Antwerp; their insulting manners on the street; their insolence to passers-by; their pushing aside of old folk into the gutter; their attempts to overawe the populace by a show of force and violence.

Escaped to Holland. "I finally escaped to Holland," she said, "by the last steamer to leave before the German main army came into the city."

Mlle. Portia has lost one brother in the war, another has been wounded twice, while a third, unwounded, has been in the same trench nine months. With pardonable pride she described how her brother who has been wounded for the second time was decorated by the great commander-in-chief, Gen. Joffre, for a heroic bombing attack between Soissons and Ypres, in which he was struck on the side of the head by a fragment of a grenade. It was feared for a time that his mind would be affected, but happily this proved unfounded.

"My brother wrote me," she added, "that General Joffre had said to them that the Germans could be pushed back at any time the French desired, but they would not do it as it would mean the sacrifice of too many valuable lives. My brother is of the opinion too that the great blow eventually will be struck in the Argonne. My unwounded brother is in the trenches there."

The Change in France. "The last time I saw him he was a smooth-faced boy of nineteen, gay and irresponsible, without a care in the world. The last photograph I had from him shows him with a long beard, unkempt and untidy, almost barbaric. But I know that the greatest change of all is within him; that there abides with him an unflinching determination to fight to the end, and to win."

"In this way my brother is a type of all France. The face of France is changed, is scarred and seamed by war. But at heart France is as a rock, quiet, strong, determined to win at no matter what sacrifice. She has counted the cost and is prepared to pay, but she will exact a terrible return."

"I do not think the Germans will last out another winter after this. The Russian campaign for the next few months will be terribly trying of all their resources, and just as Napoleon's hopes were wrecked on the cruel wastes of Russia, so will Germany never recover from that campaign."

Missed His Chance.

"The German missed his one chance of victory in this war," continued Mlle. Portia. "In invading France by way of Belgium, I know, just as every Frenchman and Frenchman knows that had he attacked by way of Belgium he would have been in Paris long before now. France was unprepared just as Britain was."

Mlle. Portia's father and mother are living in Bordeaux, and after the war she looks forward to a happy reunion of herself, her sisters and soldier brothers at the old folks' home.

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Lissue Handkerchiefs, colored borders, 25¢ each.

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Black Chamoisette Gloves, 2-button, 75¢ pair.

Trocadero Kid Gloves, 2-dome, in grey, tan, black or white, with black stitching. Price, \$1.25 pair.

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SOCIAL AND PERSONAL

All personal items sent by mail for publication must be signed with the name and address of the sender.

W. R. Pepper, of Winnipeg, is at the Dominion.

Hans Helgeson, of Metchoin, is at the Dominion.

Sam Rogers, of Prince Rupert, is at the Strathcona.

B. G. Ruddock, of Portland, is stopping at the Dominion.

R. T. Wilson, of Nanaimo, is a guest of the Dominion hotel.

J. E. Hansen, of Britannia Beach, is at the Dominion hotel.

F. Yates, Shawinigan Lake, is registered at the Strathcona.

W. G. Everett, of Ganges, is a guest at the Strathcona hotel.

J. D. Gauthier, of Sherbrooke, Que., is staying at the Dominion.

W. L. Germaine, of Vancouver, is a guest at the Empress hotel.

A. C. Hampton, of Vancouver, is registered at the Strathcona.

M. M. Speyer, of Minneapolis, is registered at the Dominion hotel.

Mrs. McLeod and family, of Saskatoon, are staying at the Dominion.

Mrs. Athelton Way has arrived at the Strathcona hotel from Cowichan Bay.

Robert V. Williams, of Philadelphia, registered at the Empress hotel yesterday.

O. L. Phibbs and Mrs. Phibbs, of Duncan, are registered at the Dominion hotel.

R. J. McGowan and Mrs. McGowan, of Calgary, are stopping at the Dominion hotel.

Sgt. and Mrs. Church are over from Vancouver and are staying at the Strathcona hotel.

R. Cruise, of Dauphin, Man., and a member of the legislature, is staying at the Dominion.

James Watts, of Toronto, arrived in the city yesterday and registered at the Empress hotel.

Mr. and Mrs. E. B. Clark, of Seattle, arrived in the city yesterday and registered at the Empress hotel.

Mr. and Mrs. A. Blackburn, of Salt Spring Island, arrived to-day and are staying at the Strathcona hotel.

W. E. Eberbach, of San Francisco, is a guest at the Empress hotel. From the same city is also John H. Eggers.

The arrivals at the Strathcona hotel from Duncan include Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Dundas, Miss Dundas and W. E. P. Estridge.

J. M. Barkley, W. E. Montgomery, Mrs. Montgomery and Mrs. Dobbin, of Powell River, en route to Japan, are stopping at the Dominion.

The Colonials are coming!

WEATHER BULLETIN.

Daily Report Furnished by the Victoria Meteorological Department.

Victoria, Dec. 1—5 a. m.—The barometer is falling in advance of an ocean disturbance which is causing easterly to southerly gales on the coast. These may extend to the Straits and Sound. Fair, cold weather prevails in Cariboo and in the prairie provinces.

For 24 hours ending 5 p. m. Thursday. Victoria and vicinity—Strong winds or gales, mostly easterly and southerly, unsettled and milder, with rain.

Lower Mainland—Easterly and southerly winds, fresh to high on the Gulf, unsettled and milder, with rain.

Reports. Victoria—Barometer, 30.08; temperature, maximum yesterday, 43; minimum, 37; wind, 12 miles N. E.; weather, cloudy.

Vancouver—Barometer, 30.10; temperature, maximum yesterday, 40; minimum, 29; wind, 4 miles E.; weather, cloudy.

Entrance—Barometer, 30.07; temperature, maximum yesterday, 42; minimum, 38; wind, 12 miles S. E.; weather, cloudy.

Kamloops—Barometer, 30.21; temperature, maximum yesterday, 32; minimum, 20; wind, calm; weather, fair.

Barkerville—Barometer, 30.10; temperature, maximum yesterday, 28; minimum, 12; wind, 4 miles S. E.; weather, fair.

Prince Rupert—Barometer, 29.88; temperature, maximum yesterday, 40; minimum, 34; wind, 24 miles E.; rain, 0.4; weather, rain.

Tatsooh—Barometer, 29.38; temperature, maximum yesterday, 44; minimum, 34; wind, 40 miles E.; weather, cloudy.

Penticton—Temperature, maximum yesterday, 37; rain, .01.

Temperature. Max. Min.

Cranbrook 24 14

Nelson 33 23

Calgary 20 4

Edmonton 30 10

Qu'Appelle 18 zero

Winnipeg 8 -4

Toronto 34 ..

Ottawa 38 ..

Montreal 38 ..

St. John 48 ..

Halifax 48 ..

Victoria Daily Weather.

Observations taken 5 a. m., noon and 5 p. m., Tuesday.

Highest Temperature 43

Lowest 34

Average 38

Minimum on grass 27

Rain, trace.

General state of weather, cloudy.

Acid Stomachs Are Dangerous

A famous physician said in the course of a recent lecture that nearly all intestinal troubles, as well as many diseases of the vital organs, were directly traceable to a deranged condition of the stomach which in turn was due nine times out of ten to excessive acidity, commonly termed sour stomach or heartburn, which not only irritated and inflamed the delicate lining of the stomach, but also set up gastritis and stomach ulcers. Remarkable results have been obtained by the use of ordinary bisulphated magnesia, which, by neutralizing the acidity of the food, removes the source of the trouble. It is foolish to treat the stomach itself, neutralize the acid and the stomach troubles will disappear. Irritating medicines and medical treatments are useless, so long as the contents of the stomach remain acid; remove the acidity, and there will be no need for medicines—the inflamed lining of the stomach will then heal itself. Sufferers from acidity, sour stomach or heartburn should get a small bottle of bisulphated magnesia from their druggist, and take a teaspoonful in a quarter of a glass of water after meals, repeating in fifteen minutes, if necessary. Bisulphated Magnesia, No. 25 E. 26th St., N. Y. C.

NELSON REPEATS MIS-STATEMENT

Again Says Kingham & Co.
Refused to Supply Coal
to Dredges

HIS DIARY WITH MISSING DOCUMENTS OF THE CASE

Close of Inquiry Into Ignoring
of Contract and Price's
Little Commission

The inquiry conducted by Hammett P. Hill, Ottawa, into the coal supplies to the dredges of the public works department in the harbor of Victoria without tender and in defiance of the contract with Kingham & Co. in force through the year 1913-4 practically closed yesterday afternoon, and was concluded this forenoon.

When it was resumed after luncheon yesterday John L. Nelson, superintendent of dredging, asked leave to make an explanation in regard to a question asked him by the commissioner in Friday, to which he had answered in the affirmative, as to his ignoring the order-in-council granting the contract to Kingham & Co.

"With reference to a question where I admitted going over the order-in-council," he said, "this is wrong. I did not go over the order-in-council. The tenders were returned to me from the department and I immediately notified them. Therefore I consider I did not ignore the order-in-council. On the other hand there were the dredges and I had to keep them going. The contractors had refused to supply coal, and while there has been a great deal said about the amount of money lost to the government as a result of buying outside the contractors, I think, if the fleet had been laid up and tied up for want of fuel, that it would have been a far more serious loss, in the neighborhood of \$1,000 a day, whereas the difference between the contractors' price and the price charged by Kirk & Co. amounts to somewhere around \$3,000. It would only take three days to make up that amount if the plant was out of commission. The evidence goes to show that it would have been impossible to get coal under two weeks or possibly a month. Therefore I maintain my purchasing coal as I did I felt that I was quite justified in doing so."

M. B. Jackson—"You had seaworthy

government tugs here able to cross the Straits and a scow under charter?"

"Yes."

"And knew there was coal in the Seattle market in any quantity?"

"I didn't know a thing about it."

"If you inquired you could have found that out."

"There was no time to inquire."

"You know now that had you seen fit to do so you could have dispatched your own scow to Seattle for coal?"

"Don't go so fast, my friend."

"You know what I mean; the government scow under your control."

"The scow was not seaworthy."

"There was nothing to prevent your going yourself for this coal without any intermediary, if the local dealers had not been able to supply coal?"

(After a pause) "Well, there would be really nothing to hinder me, but by taking the tugs away it would tie up the plant it was attached to."

"But that would not be tying up the whole fleet, and you could at any time have chartered tugs?" (No answer.)

"To come to the point, there was nothing to prevent the government, through you, making purchases direct in Seattle if local dealers did not come to your rescue?"

Commissioner Hill—"Mr. Nelson is not a coal dealer. He is in a bad enough position with the public works department as it is and he had just come here as a new man."

Mr. Jackson (to witness)—"You say you had a verbal understanding about having coal supplied to the dredges until such time as you had oil installed or the strike was over?"

"Yes."

"You said on Friday you did not know when the strike ended?"

"I could not remember it."

"If the contract was as you say it was, verbal though it was, that this condition was to continue till the strike was over, were you not bound to possess yourself of the information as to when the strike was over?"

(No answer.)

"Well, what do you say?"

"Will you repeat that question?"

The question was read by the stenographer.

"Naturally I would."

"Then you had no justification for continuing to purchase at extravagant prices after November, 1913?"

"I contend I had a perfect right to take the coal they purchased with the idea of supplying our fleet."

"And if the facts are shown to be that they did not purchase any coal for the government until after receiving requisitions, and that the purchasing was done a day or two after getting the requisitions, then you do not find sufficient explanation of your conduct in that?"

"I have every reason to believe I acted in the best interests."

"Notwithstanding that you had certified prices as fair and just when they were not so. So much for your action in the best public interest! Now as to your diary that you were asked for, have you brought it?"

"No, I can't find it; it is missing."

"Another missing document or book."

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"Another missing document or book."

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I would ask you to note, Mr. Commissioner, said counsel.

"And a very important one," Nelson added, whether in derision or not it was difficult to decide.

"And a very important one," Mr. Jackson agreed.

Mr. Nelson told the commissioner this was a private book, and he would be very glad to get it, as it had memoranda in it needed. Mr. Jackson asked the commissioner to direct the witness to get the book and explain the absence of it. The commissioner said he would have to accept the word of the witness that he could not find it.

Nelson said it referred simply to the day he came over here after receiving the wires about coal. He told the commissioner he had never had any negotiations with Kirk & Co., and the letters written to him by the firm, which A. M. Kirk had said were written under instructions, were not instructed by him.

Alfred M. Kirk, who was on the stand in the morning, was asked by the commissioner about letters from his firm to Superintendent Nelson in which he made quotations as to Jingle Pot coal, and which had followed letters from the superintendent conveying complaints of the department and hints of questions being asked by the government. Mr. Kirk said the firm could not sell coal at the prices named, and that these statements were incorrect to that extent. He explained that the letters were written under instructions.

In the afternoon he was again asked about these letters and said that he had been told by his father to write them and was told what to write. As he had already said, they were written under instructions, and the facts stated were not so. Mr. Kirk said the firm were able to get coal from the Jingle Pot mine at less than other dealers, as it had a contract and was enabled to get it at the figure stated in that when others had to pay the higher price due to the operators having to pay higher wages to union miners. They would take all they could get from the mine in order to keep it running.

"You were more generous to the mine than to the government," remarked the commissioner.

To Mr. Jackson Mr. Kirk said that there was a fair amount of coal in their bunkers. The commissions paid to Price were entered in the ledger under the rebate account, and it was impossible to say just how much he had got. They would be paid in cash usually or by cheque.

An examination of the account showed one cheque for \$250 odd with the note "Price" against this, but it could not be traced further. Mr. Price said he always received his commission in cash. Mr. Kirk was asked to bring his cheque this morning.

Mr. Jackson—"You knew that Price had framed this contract up for you?"

"Price never framed anything up for us."

"Who did?"

"They came to us and gave us an order for coal."

G. Hauck, bookkeeper for Kirk & Co., said there were no cheques to Price or to the Crown Fuel company by name.

To Mr. Moore the witness said the firm had other sub-agents, but the arrangements for paying them commissions were different.

The firm had the contract last year and again for the current year, but no commission was being paid in either case. The instance before the commission was the only one in which anything of the kind had been done.

Ernest A. Burns, accountant in the office of the superintendent of dredging at Vancouver, took the oath with his hands in his pocket. He gave figures as to the tenders for 1914-5 and 1915-6.

Mr. Jackson—"Were any contracts given without tender?"

"It is usual to call for tenders each year."

"Was there any instance in your department where Kirk & Co. and J. E. Painter & Son were called in privately?"

"Not in our department."

Walter Walker, of Hall & Walker, agent for the Comox mines, informed the commissioner that the Comox mines were always at work, and that the firm had always been able to get coal from there as well as domestic coal from Ladysmith. He produced invoices which showed that in May, 1913, there had been received 810 tons of coal from Ladysmith and 402 tons from Cumberland. The latter coal had been sold to the department of naval affairs for H. M. C. S. Rainbow at \$5.50 per ton alongside the ship at Esquimalt.

Commissioner Hill—"Would you have been in position to supply the dredges in Victoria harbor in May?"

"Certainly."

"What would have been a fair price for Comox coal then?"

"Five-fifty alongside ship."

"And would you have been quite willing to have delivered coal to them at \$5.50 a ton?"

"Yes, sir."

"About May 9 or 10 about how much coal had you in your bunkers?"

"I cannot say to the amount, but we had plenty."

"You could have supplied one hundred tons if necessary?"

"Oh, yes."

"What price would you deliver for from the wharf?"

"Six dollars and a half. We delivered coal at that price to the government steamer Restless, from the wharf, put aboard."

Mr. Walker explained that the conversation which Captains Brown and Newcombe had at the office as to the chance of a supply of Comox coal was with W. H. Kinsman, their bookkeeper.

Mr. Kinsman told of this visit. The captain called in and asked if it was possible to get coal from Hall & Walker, and he told them that there was plenty of Comox coal. They asked if Price had been in asking about coal and he replied in the negative.

The commissioner—"Anything said about price?"

"About Price?"

"I mean the price of coal?"

"Nothing."

Later in the afternoon the commissioner went out to the residence of C. W. Kirk, head of the firm of Kirk & Co., who is confined to the house by illness and took his evidence.

Mr. Kirk said his recollection was

not very good, but in a general way he remembered what had taken place with W. H. Price in reference to the latter selling coal as a sub-agent. They had come to terms a considerable time before there was any talk about a supply of coal to the dredging plant, the arrangement being that Price was to get fifty cents a ton on all coal delivered in carload lots, and twenty-five cents on all sold over the counter for domestic purposes.

As to the prices he charged, Mr. Kirk stated that at the time the captain came to him to inquire about coal he was getting \$8 a ton for him, and he did not consider himself justified in quoting to the government at anything less than \$7.

Mr. Kirk was closely pressed by both the commissioner and Mr. Jackson as to whether he would have charged the government as much if he had not undertaken to pay Price fifty cents a ton; whether, in short, he had added that commission on to the price he would have been willing to accept from the government for his coal.

Mr. Kirk would not say that he would have quoted any lower figure for the coal supplied the dredges if there had not been the fifty cents commission to Price to take care of, and took the ground that the price was a reasonable one under the circumstances.

In regard to the instructions given his son, A. M. Kirk, for the letters written to Superintendent Nelson quoting prices which it was now said were not correct, Mr. Kirk could only say that anything he had told his son to say was dictated in good faith.

With the clearing up of a few minor details this morning the inquiry closed.

FEAST OF HANUKKAH

Hebrew Congregation of Emanu-El in Victoria Will Celebrate Jewish Feast of Dedication To-morrow.

Beginning to-morrow the Hebrew people of the congregation Emanu-El in this city will celebrate the Jewish Feast of Dedication, known as Hanukkah.

Hanukkah, the Jewish Feast of Dedication begins on December 3 and extends over a period of eight days. The account of its origin is set forth in the Book of the Maccabees. The Syrian King, Antiochus Epiphanes, had determined to unify all the peoples of his kingdom. To accomplish this he believed it necessary to compel all to adopt a common religion. The Jews were his political subjects. Their monotheism and distinctive religious practices based upon the Bible were in sharp contrast to his religion, a form of paganism originally imported from Greece. "Judaism must be destroyed," became the watchword of the Syrian court. In 163 B. C. the royal command went forth that shrines and altars be erected for idol worship, Jewish rites and practices were interdicted. The sacred writings, wherever found, were destroyed. Direct persecutions were visited upon the faithful. As a climax in the campaign to extinguish the Jewish faith, the altar in the Temple of Jerusalem was profaned. Syrian soldiers offered up sacrifices to Zeus Olympus. These drastic measures aroused the Jews to revolt. Judas Maccabeus was appointed leader by his father, Mattathias. After three years of successful warfare against the Syrians, Judas was in a position to dedicate a new altar at Jerusalem, the festivities in connection with the dedication lasting eight days. To commemorate this event Judas and his brethren and the whole congregation of Israel ordained that the dedication of the altar should be kept in their seasons, from year to year, by the space of eight days from the 25th day of Kislev, with gladness and joy. This festival is also known as the "Feast of Lights," probably because burning lamps and torches in the ancient temple and home were used to celebrate.

The distinctive ceremonial feature of this festival is the kindling of lights in the home and in the synagogue, one on the first evening, the number being increased by one on each consecutive evening, until eight lights are lit on the last evening of the festival. Special prayers, inspired by the historic event, commemorating the triumph of monotheism over heathenism, of the forces of light over the forces of darkness, are recited. Special Scriptural portions are read in the synagogue. The festival does not call for cessation from labor, and is, therefore, regarded as one of the two minor feasts in the Jewish calendar. In modern times, children's festivals, in which the story and significance of the feast are recounted, have become a marked feature in the celebration of the Feast of Dedication.

ON MUNITIONS BOARD

G. H. Dawson, Surveyor-General of British Columbia, Receives New Appointment.

G. H. Dawson, surveyor-general of British Columbia, has been appointed to serve on the Imperial munitions committee, which is to take the place of the Dominion shell committee, and which will be responsible to the British ministry of munitions. J. W. Flavell, Toronto, is head of the new board. Other members are General Alexander Bertram, Colonel David Carnegie, G. A. Vallancourt, and E. R. Wood.

The committee will undertake as part of its work an inquiry into the supply of raw materials in Canada required for the production of munitions. Mr. Dawson is expected to exercise territorial representation for the committee as concerns British Columbia. He has been tremendously interested in the progress of the war, visiting the battlefield in France and Belgium, and inspecting the Canadian camps in England. He has been of assistance to many young recruits.

The manufacturers of the province have been for months pressing the Dominion government in regard to the manufacture of munitions in this province, and the appointment of Mr. Dawson is taken as a recognition of the claims made here.

FORT GEORGE BUYERS ASKING FOR RELIEF

Claim Misrepresentation in
Sale of Government Lots
There Last Year

That there was misrepresentation at the sale of government lots in the town-site of Fort George, which was held in June, 1914, is now alleged by purchasers who are petitioning the government, through the minister of lands, to be relieved from their obligations in respect of their purchases of lots 25 by 100-feet or else to have some adjustment made.

Two methods of adjusting what the purchasers consider to be their grievance in the matter are those of granting them additional lots adjoining their purchases, if possible, or the grant of a fee simple title to the lots in consideration of the amount already paid.

It is stated by the petitioners that at the time of the sale it was understood by all the purchasers that the G. T. P. station would be erected at Maple street, where it had been ordered by the Dominion railway commission, and that the map used by the government representative at the sale showed the station at that spot.

One of the large purchasers is reported in the Prince George News as saying that the government auctioneer, in order to determine what the upset price should be, asked what lots had previously been sold there for and they increased this. The upset price so obtained was altogether too high, he said, as the actual values had not increased but decreased. Prince George having been started up since.

In most cases only one-quarter of the purchase price was paid at the sale and nothing since, so that if fee simple was granted for the price already paid it would mean that the lots are worth twenty-five per cent. of what they were sold for at the government sale. One-quarter of the site was owned by the government, the remainder belonging to the Natural Resources Security company, which is now insolvent.

The text of the petition is as follows: "We, the undersigned residents of Fort George, B. C., having purchased certain lots of land (the size of said lots being 25 by 100 feet) at a certain government sale held at Prince George, on June 11 and 12, 1914, understanding and believing that Fort George would be speedily developed by the G. T. P. erecting a station at Maple street, which would increase land values here, and that the advantages obtained by the erection of said station at Maple street would have no doubt resulted in Fort George obtaining a bill of incorporation;

"And further an upset price was put on said lots at said sale and we were told by the auctioneer that persons occupying government lots who did not buy, if said lots were not sold otherwise, they would have to vacate immediately. In consideration of the advantages above set forth, to wit: By a station being erected



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MORE LIFE-SAVING EQUIPMENT NEEDED

Talk on Waterfront That Either
Tug or More Lifeboats
Should Be Built

WHOLE OF WEST COAST SHOULD BE PROTECTED

Lifeboat is Also Needed on
Queen Charlotte Islands;
Precautions Necessary

Following the loss of the Chilean
ship Caremapu the agitation for bet-
ter life-saving equipment on the west
coast of Vancouver Island, has been
renewed. Some seafaring men would
like to see a life-saving tug of the type
of the Snohomish, which is stationed
in Neah Bay, Wash., constructed for
service of the graveyard of the Pacific,
while other seamen are of the opinion
that more life-boats of the powered
type would be far more serviceable
than a tug.

The promoters of the latter idea
think that four life-boats should be
maintained on the west coast. At the
present time there are two powered
craft, one at Bamfield and the other at
Ucluelet. With another at Clayoquot
and a fourth in Quatsino Sound, they
believe that the coast would be well
patrolled and that the loss of life would
be greatly minimized. These four life-
boats would afford adequate protection.
Both the present boats have assisted
several fishing schooners, and sailing
vessels out of nasty corners during the
past years and their value cannot be
estimated.

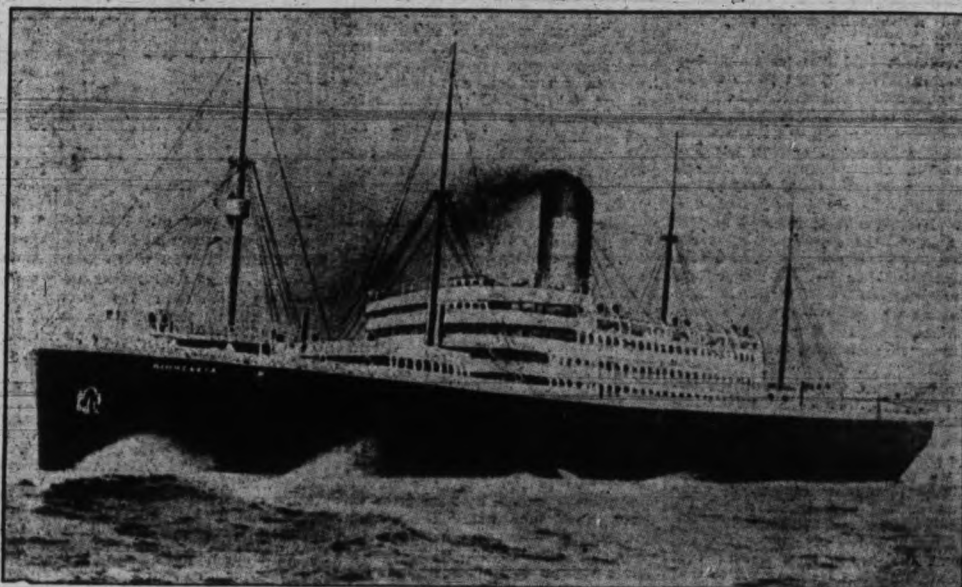
A Life-Saving Tug
With a life-saving tug the coast line
would be patrolled in a systematic
manner. The craft would probably be
stationed at Bamfield. Creek. She
would be equipped with good power
and able to stand any kind of weather.
She would also carry a large power
life-boat for sending into the surf. It
is argued that had a life-saving tug
arrived off the Caremapu she would
have shot a dozen lives over the wreck
and probably fewer lives would have
been lost.

With a life-saving tug patrolling the
coast she might be off the north end
of the island when a wreck occurred in
the south, and if she was at her station
in the south a mishap might be report-
ed in the north, in which case the craft
would have to do some hard steaming
and might arrive too late to be of any
assistance. With life-boats placed at
certain points of danger they could pop
out to sea in a brief period and be
alongside a craft and take off the crew.
A tug might be able to prevent the loss
of a ship by getting a line aboard the
craft. While the life-boats have towed
vessels offshore it is a heavy strain on
them and in exceptionally heavy
weather they would not be able to do
it.

The cost of building a tug and main-
taining it is one of the arguments
against this means of life-saving. Two
new life-boats, larger and more heavily
powered than the present ones, might
probably turn out just as efficient as
a large tug.

One of the Two.
However, there are these two "pro-
posals," and the Dominion government
can decide on one or the other or both
if deemed necessary. There is no
doubt that the west coast needs better
protection. The two life-boats are
doing a fine work and their crews are
prepared for any emergency. In the
case of the Caremapu if a power life-
boat had been stationed at Clayoquot
it would have been able to put to sea
and probably have taken off the crew

HUGE LINER FORCED TO PUT BACK FOR REPAIRS



S. S. MINNESOTA

San Francisco, Dec. 1.—The Hill
liner Minnesota, bound for London
with grain, on her farewell voyage un-
der American registry, is putting back
to San Francisco because of disabled
machinery, according to wireless mes-
sages received here today. She left Se-
attle Nov. 14 with leaking boilers and
now is off the west coast of Lower
California.

She will reach here probably Sunday
or Monday.

The Minnesota is the largest freighter
flying the American flag. When she

passed down the coast from Seattle,
November 13, Captain Garlick sent a
wireless message of farewell to the
people of San Francisco, which said:
"The Great Northern steamship Min-
nesota, the finest ship that ever sailed
the seas, is now passing down by your
beautiful city, bound for a foreign
country, never again to return with Old
Glory floating from her stern."

It was reported at the time that the
vessel would be sold after she dis-
charged her cargo of 15,000 tons of
foodstuffs.

The Minnesota was en route to Lon-
don with 15,000 tons of flour, fish and
other foodstuffs. When she cleared
from the Sound it was the intention of
Capt. Garlick, her master, to run as
far as Coronel, Chile, before calling for
coal. The ship has had trouble with
her boilers from time to time but re-
pairs were effected in Seattle, and it
was anticipated that she would make
the long run to the United Kingdom
without further trouble.



AIDS
TO
NAVIGATION

The gas and whistling buoy on Chan-
nel Rocks, Barkley Sound, dragged
from its position during the heavy
storm last week. The buoy will be re-
placed at the earliest opportunity.
Mariners will govern themselves ac-
cordingly.

GREAT SHIPBUILDING ACTIVITY IN JAPAN

Forty-Four Ships Building in
Nipponese Yards, Aggregate
188,000 Tons

Kobe, Japan, Dec. 1.—No visitor who
enters Kobe by sea can fail to observe
the great activity in shipbuilding at
this port. The most heavily capitalized
shipyard in Japan is located here, and
all its docks are filled with work.
Three large ships and many smaller
ones are in course of construction.
Electrical steel riveters keep up a con-
stant din which can be heard far out
at sea.

In June there were forty-four ships,
aggregating 188,000 tons, in the hands
of Japanese builders, and the tonnage
has increased considerably since that
time, although the exact figures are not
available. All Japanese shipyards have
orders which will keep them at high
pressure for over a year. The
scarcity of cargo space which the en-
tire world is feeling has thrown much
business into the Japanese shipyards.

Osaka Very Busy.
The shipyard at Osaka is reported to
have nearly 100,000 tons of steel ships
in course of construction. It is
estimated that there is a tonnage of
25,000 in course of construction here
in Kobe and small yards in various
ports probably have a tonnage of 25-
30,000 under way.

Prices for ships have risen at amaz-
ing rates. Freight is congested at
practically every important port in the
Far East. In giving orders the ship-
ping concerns inquire about the speed
with which a commission can be ex-
ecuted rather than the charge. It is
rumored that the right of placing or-
ders is now being sold and bought at a
high premium by those interested in
shipbuilding transactions.

TIDE TABLE

December.

Date. Time of High Water. Time of Low Water.

1. 10:10 a.m. 4:10 p.m.

2. 11:15 a.m. 5:15 p.m.

3. 12:20 p.m. 6:20 p.m.

4. 1:25 p.m. 7:25 p.m.

5. 2:30 p.m. 8:30 p.m.

6. 3:35 p.m. 9:35 p.m.

7. 4:40 p.m. 10:40 p.m.

8. 5:45 p.m. 11:45 p.m.

9. 6:50 p.m. 12:50 a.m.

10. 7:55 p.m. 1:55 a.m.

11. 9:00 p.m. 3:00 a.m.

12. 10:05 p.m. 4:05 a.m.

13. 11:10 p.m. 5:10 a.m.

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17. 3:30 a.m. 9:30 a.m.

18. 4:35 a.m. 10:35 a.m.

19. 5:40 a.m. 11:40 a.m.

20. 6:45 a.m. 12:45 p.m.

21. 7:50 a.m. 1:50 p.m.

22. 8:55 a.m. 2:55 p.m.

23. 10:00 a.m. 4:00 p.m.

24. 11:05 a.m. 5:05 p.m.

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28. 3:25 p.m. 9:25 p.m.

29. 4:30 p.m. 10:30 p.m.

30. 5:35 p.m. 11:35 p.m.

31. 6:40 p.m. 12:40 a.m.

BIG CANNERY TENDER WRECKED IN NORTH

Vancouver, Dec. 1.—The Union
Steamship Company steamer Venture,
Captain Parks, which arrived here yester-
day from Northern British Colum-
bia, brought word of the wreck of
a big cannery tender, 65 feet long,
owned by the Goose-Millard Packing
Company, of 597 Hastings street.

The Venture brought in R. H. Goose
and J. Gillespie, who were on board
the tender. The other two members
of the crew arrived yesterday on the
Princess May.

Vancouver, Dec. 1.—Captain Polk-
inghorne, of the All-Red Line, who re-
turned this morning from a hunting
trip reports passing a derelict seven
miles west northwest of Malcol-
m Island on Monday afternoon. He ran
close up and found a craft with seven
feet of her bows out of the water and
she was evidently a big launch kept
up by the air in the forward tanks.
There was no name on the bows and
as far as Captain Polkinghorne could
ascertain the derelict was painted
white with a brown bottom.

**AWA DUE TO-MORROW
WITH VALUABLE CARGO**

The Nippon Yusen Kaisha liner
Awa Maru is due to arrive in Victoria
to-morrow for the Orient. Nothing is
known about the exact time of her ar-
rival. She has 1050 tons of cargo for
Victoria, including a huge shipment of
Japanese oranges and \$2,000,000 worth
of silk for New York.

The Maple Leaf steamship Arna,
Capt. Jentoft, from New York, called
off here this morning for a pilot to
take her to Vancouver.

OIL-TANKER GUTTED

Barry, Eng., Dec. 1.—Fire yesterday
gutted the American tanker Sun, reg-
istering 4,837 tons. The vessel sailed
from Philadelphia Nov. 9.

LOCAL MASTER WILL

SAIL ALBERT MEYERS

Capt. W. E. Baker Leaves for
San Francisco to Take
Schooner to Sydney

To take command of the British
schooner Albert Meyers, which is now
loading a cargo of lumber at San
Francisco for Sydney, N. S. W., Capt.
W. E. Baker, well-known in this city
as one of the early sailing captains,
has left Victoria. He went over to
Vancouver on Saturday night to confer
with officials of the Canadian Fish &
Cold Storage Co., owners of the Mey-
ers.

The Albert Meyers is a small schooner,
of similar type to the J. M.
Weatherwax, which was here about five
months ago on her way to sea from
Cheminus with a cargo of lumber.
She is a bald-headed schooner, but de-
spite the fact that she carries no head
sail she is a smart sailer. She has a
capacity for 500,000 feet of lumber.

Capt. Baker is well-known on the
British Columbia coast and came to
Victoria as a member of the crew of
the schooner Vera, which sailed from
Halifax via Cape Horn in 1886. He
was sailing on the schooner C. H. Tupper
when she was driven ashore and es-
caped after becoming master of a
schooner Captain Baker was very for-
tunate. One season he took 3,642 skins.
He very seldom came into port with a
small catch. Capt. Baker commanded
the Annie E. Paint for a number of
seasons. He has one proud record in
the fact that during his career as mas-
ter of sailing schooners he never lost
a man and never left a boat out over-
night.

Capt. Baker does not know how long
he will be away from Victoria. He
will take the Meyers to Sydney and ex-
pects to bring her back to some North
Pacific port with a cargo of coal. There
is nothing much doing in this port at
present for a seafaring man and he
will stand by the lumber schooner until
something shows up here. Until the
fishing schooner Jessie was tied up six
weeks ago, Capt. Baker was master of
her and prior to that he commanded
the fishing schooner Lakum.

Seattle, Nov. 30.—Arrived: str. Des-
patch, Southeastern Alaska; str.
Tathylbus, Tacoma; str. Nome City,
San Francisco; str. Fulton, British Col-
umbia ports; bgs. Louisiana, Anyox,
B. C., in tow of tug Arctic. Sailed: str.
Humboldt, Southeastern Alaska; str.
Admiral Schley, San Francisco; str.
Congress, San Diego, via San Fran-
cisco; str. W. S. Porter, San Francisco;
str. Pavlov, Bellingham; str. Nichylo
Maru, Tacoma; str. William Chatham,
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Steamer	Master	Tonnage	Agents	From	Due
Awa Maru	Hori	1,840	G. Northern	Hongkong	Dec. 3
Musican	Dunn	1,947	U. Kingdom	Hongkong	Dec. 10
Empress of Japan	Hopkett-Dixon	3,500	C. P. R.	Hongkong	Dec. 10
Montague	Halley	1,900	C. P. R.	Hongkong	Dec. 11
Poliphemus	Phillips	3,061	Dodwell & Co.	Liverpool	Dec. 15
Makura	Phillips	4,900	C. P. R.	Sydney	Dec. 16
Mexico Maru	Phillips	3,700	R. P. Rithet	Hongkong	Dec. 18

DEEP-SEA DEPARTURES

Steamer	Master	Tonnage	Agents	From	Due
Tathylbus	Cullum	6,300	Dodwell & Co.	Hongkong	Dec. 7
Mexico Maru	Yamaguchi	3,500	C. P. R.	Hongkong	Dec. 10
Empress of Japan	Hopkett-Dixon	3,500	C. P. R.	Hongkong	Dec. 10
Makura	Phillips	4,900	C. P. R.	Sydney	Dec. 16

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Steamer Princess Adelaide arrives daily at 3 p. m., and steamer Princess Alice at 6:30 a. m.	Steamers Prince Rupert and Prince George leave Tuesdays and Saturdays at 10 a. m.
For Seattle	For Prince Rupert
Steamer Princess Adelaide leaves daily at 4:30 p. m.	Steamers Prince Rupert and Prince George arrive Mondays and Thursdays at 6 a. m.
From Seattle	For Skagway
Steamer Princess Victoria arrives daily at 1 p. m.	Steamer Princess Sophia sails on Nov. 13 and 26 at 11 p. m.
For Port Angeles	From Skagway
Steamer Sol Duc leaves daily except Sunday at 11:30 a. m.	Steamer Princess Sophia arrives Nov. 19 and 21.
From Port Angeles	For Holberg
Steamer Sol Duc arrives daily except Sunday at 9 a. m.	Steamer Tees leaves on first and twentieth of each month.
For San Francisco	From Holberg
Steamers President and Governor alternate every Friday at 5 p. m.	Steamer Tees arrives on seventh and twenty-seventh of each month.
From San Francisco	For Clayoquot
Steamers President and Governor alternate every Monday at 1 p. m.	Steamer Tees leaves on tenth of each month.
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NAVY OPPOSE ARMY IN BENEFIT HOCKEY MATCH

Army vs. Navy is the hockey attraction for this evening at the Arena, when, between the hours of 5 and 6 o'clock, the sailors and soldiers will don the blades for a real old-fashioned set-to, the first competition of its kind ever staged here. For some weeks past the 6th Western Scots have been practicing at the Arena, and when the teams drifted down to Esquimaux that they had a hockey appetite at the Willows, the sailors of the H. M. C. S. Rainbow immediately challenged Col. Lorne Ross's representatives. The challenge was snatched up, and this evening was the date decided upon for the combat. The Western Scots' team is composed of some of the very best local pick chaps. While the Rainbow team has not yet been made public, it is known that they can place a strong team on the ice, several of the crew having played hockey in Eastern Canada. An admission fee of ten cents will be charged, the proceeds to be donated to the Red Cross society. The Western Scots will take the ice as follows: Goal, Lieut. Marsden; point, Kenzie; cover point, Lieut. McDermid; rover, Pte. MacDonald; right wing, Corp. Faulkner; centre, Sergt. Morton; left wing, Pte. A. Douglas; reserve, Pte. Peters.

FOX WINS TITLE

London, Dec. 1.—Young Fox won the bantamweight championship of England at the National Sporting Life club here by defeating Jimmy Berry at the end of the eighteenth round. Berry's second threw the sponge into the ring to save Berry from further punishment.

Mrs. Bousley was making a call on Mrs. Cowlsby, and they were enjoying a chat about their neighbors. "Mrs. Banks," said the hostess, "is a woman who suffers much for her belief." "Indeed?" said the caller, wondering. "And what is her belief?" "Why," replied the hostess, "she believes she can wear a number three shoe on a number five foot!"

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SPORTING NEWS

MANAGER PATRICK IS AFTER EASTERN STAR TO REPLACE SKINNER POULIN

Added Attractions at the Arena This Evening at Usual Price; Ulrich Signs With Wanderers

To-night is bargain night at the Arena. Manager Patrick announced this morning that between the hours of 7.15 to 8.15 o'clock the professionals will work out with the newly formed Victoria Amateur Hockey club. This game will be followed by the skating session, which will continue until 10.30 o'clock. In addition to this the manager will give away a season ticket to the skater who holds the lucky coupon. No extra admission fee will be charged on account of the added attractions.

The set-to between the Victoria pros and the amateurs is not merely a workout, but the teams will play as if a title depended on the outcome. The amateurs will line up as follows: Goal, Alec Strath; point, English; cover point, Charlie Wakeley; forwards, Stewart, Archibald, G. Strath and Davidson.

Ulrich Signs With Wanderers.

Lester Patrick announced this morning that he has made an offer to a crack N.H.A. forward to come west to fill the shoes of Skinner Poulin. Patrick states that he is tired of trying to induce Poulin to affix his name to a form, and now urges him to go east. Last week Poulin worked out with the Victoria team and Manager Patrick was under the impression that he was about to sign. He stated, however, that he was undecided, but that he would give his definite answer on Monday. Lester has not seen Poulin since that day, and has forbidden him to work out with the team unless he signs a contract, which he refuses to do until he receives a reply from Kennedy.

Patrick announced the following for his lineup for the opening game with Seattle on December 7: Goal, McCulloch; point, Genge; cover point, Patrick; rover, Mallen; left wing, Kerr; right wing, McDonald; centre, O'Leary. Reserves, Box and Riley.

Ulrich Signs With Wanderers. President Lichtenheim, of the Wanderers, announced that he has signed Jack "Dummy" Ulrich, the former Vic-

toria forward. The Wanderers' president is having considerable trouble in getting his players in line. Several of them are holding out for fatter salaries.

Boucher Won't Turn. George Boucher, the Aberdeen wing player, who was sought by all the N.H.A. clubs, states that he has no desire to turn pro. at present. Boucher is prominent on the football field, and with the paddle, and he states that he desires to participate in other amateur branches of sport, and that is his reason for not taking the plunge.

Sentators Hold Out.

Ottawa, Nov. 25.—Two or three of the most familiar faces on the Ottawa hockey team will be missing during the coming winter, unless the players modify their terms to a good extent. At to-night's meeting of the executive committee, Coach Smith announced that August Duford and Hamby Shore had both refused the terms offered, Shore demanding \$1,200 and Duford \$1,350. It was decided to suspend both men until they signed. Also to arrange at once to round up local amateur stars to replace the hold outs. Eddie Nagle, the football star, will likely be signed for the line and Gordon Dunlop, of the Aberdeens, for the defence. Dinny Manners, who played at Winnipeg last year, is also to receive a trial. Nick Bawf has been given his release by the Canadians and he too will be given a chance to make good here. Eddie Gerard has not signed, but will do so when he returns from his honeymoon. Art Ross is doubtful. The Ottawas approved the proposed five club proposition with a triple schedule. They believe it will solve the difficulty and result in success all round. Practices of the champions will begin next week.

Several Maritime Province players have been recommended to the Ottawas, and Coach Smith is endeavoring to get a line on them. Andy Kyle was boosted for a place, but Ottawas passed him up. It would be hard to improve that Ottawa defence, as it played in the home and home series against Wanderers last March.

Frank Tansey, of the well-known family of that name, brother of Mr. Denis Tansey, M. L. A., and one of the best known hockey players, when the Shamrocks were at the head of the hockey line in Canada, will leave with the 6th Battalion when the latter goes to St. John, N. B., for the winter.

REMARKABLE CAREER OF DR. W. G. GRACE

W. G. Grace, born July 18, 1848; died October 22, 1915.

First season, first-class cricket, 1866, and scored 224 for England vs. Surrey. Was champion batsman, 1866, 1868, 1869, 1870, 1871, 1872, 1873, 1874, 1875, 1877, 1879, 1880, 1881, 1882, 1883, 1884, 1885, 1886, 1888, 1889, 1890, 1892, 1893, 1894, 1897, 1898.

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In 1875, took 152 wickets; average, 12.16. Scored 234 for U. S. E. vs. XXII of Glamorgan and district in 1876.

Two separate hundreds in a match, three times.

Scored 126 centuries, in first-class, and 91 in minor; total, 217.

In 1886, secured all 10 wickets in an innings vs. Oxford University, and scored 134.

In 1876, in three matches, consecutively took 344, 177 and 218.

It is hard to arrive at a comparative estimate of greatness. One cannot weigh batsmen and batsmen, jugglers and general, in the same balance. Yet, if he be truly great who, rightly gauging his powers from the first, pursues his aim with singleness of heart and resolutely achieves that which he sets before him, then Dr. W. G. Grace may rank with the prime heroes of these times. His career, though it has left the fates of nations unchanged, has been one long march of triumph. For the last quarter of a century he has devoted himself to the work of outliving records and outdoing all his predecessors on the cricket field. To say that he is the greatest cricketer that the world has seen is but to give a ghostly echo of the praise which belongs to him. He has so far out-distanced his competitors that there is none worthy to stand by his side. His greatness may not be fully measured by the powers he has displayed in one match or in one year, but by the marvellous endurance and perseverance which have enabled him to remain so long the champion at the game. At times his splendor has been overshadowed; some isolated feats of his have been eclipsed; but, if we look at the sum of his accomplishments, we can only bow down before his greatness, and say with

confidence that, as man never did the like before, so man shall never do the like again.

"It was in 1864 that he made his first appearance in a big match. He was then a boy of sixteen. He was thought scarcely worthy to represent South Wales against the Gentlemen of Sussex. But he scored 170 runs, and his position as a batsman of the very highest rank was never afterwards questioned. Between 1864 and 1885, in first-class matches, he made an average of 44.5 runs per inning, during a period of twenty-three years. The simple eloquence of these figures is irrefragable.

His First-Class Batting Record.

		Innings	out	score	Runs	Ave.
1865	.....	8	1	48	189	27.00
1866	.....	11	2	224	570	66.33
1867	.....	1	1	15	154	30.80
1868	.....	13	2	134	625	56.81
1869	.....	24	1	180	1520	57.50
1870	.....	38	5	215	1808	44.26
1871	.....	29	4	268	2730	78.50
1872	.....	32	3	170	1561	51.24
1873	.....	28	3	192	2129	71.39
1874	.....	21	6	178	1665	52.25
1875	.....	45	2	152	1498	22.16
1876	.....	46	4	344	2622	62.42
1877	.....	40	3	261	1474	29.87
1878	.....	42	2	710	1151	28.77
1879	.....	29	3	122	953	38.42
1880	.....	27	3	132	951	39.42
1881	.....	25	3	164	947	38.80
1882	.....	37	0	88	525	25.35
1883	.....	41	2	112	1453	34.66
1884	.....	45	5	116	1361	34.25
1885	.....	42	3	221	1688	43.25
1886	.....	45	3	170	1846	35.20
1887	.....	46	8	183	2062	54.28
1888	.....	49	1	215	1886	32.51
1889	.....	45	2	154	1396	22.45
1890	.....	55	3	109	1476	28.38
1891	.....	40	1	72	771	19.76
1892	.....	37	3	90	1065	31.02
1893	.....	50	5	128	1609	35.16
1894	.....	45	1	196	1283	29.45
1895	.....	49	2	228	2266	51.90
1896	.....	54	4	301	2125	42.70
1897	.....	41	2	131	1432	39.28
1898	.....	41	5	168	1513	42.02
1899	.....	23	1	78	515	23.40
1900	31	1	126	1277	42.56
1901	32	1	122	1067	32.48
1902	35	3	131	1187	37.08
1903	27	1	150	888	32.80

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"GINK" IS CHIEF NOW.

St. Catharines, Ont., Dec. 1.—Perhaps the most interesting news from the front which has reached the authorities at Ridley college, St. Catharines, is the announcement that "Gink" Doherty, '05, is now chief of the aerial service of the Italian navy. He has been made a chevalier. Doherty was one of the best football players ever developed at old Ridley, and starred at outside wing. He is a son of a former mayor of Buffalo, N. Y.

WELLS WAS EASY.

Akron, Ohio, Dec. 1.—Johnny Griffiths, of this city, won in fairly easy fashion from Matt Wells, former English champion, last night in their 12-round go.

MILLER IN STRAIGHT FALLS.

Billings, Mont., Dec. 1.—Water Miller, of St. Paul, Minn., welterweight wrestling champion, last night won two straight falls from Charles Renfro, claimant of the middleweight title. Both falls were secured with an arm lock, the first in one hour and 22 minutes and the second in 23 minutes.

O'DOWD WINS ANOTHER.

Milwaukee, Dec. 1.—Mike O'Dowd, St. Paul welterweight, outboxed Billy Kramer, Milwaukee, last night in a ten-round bout, taking the first, third, sixth, eighth, ninth and tenth.

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A SMOKING CONCERT

Splendid Programme of Events Arranged for To-night's Entertainment

Officers and men of H. M. C. S. Rainbow, and the returned soldiers from the front will be the guests of the Vancouver Island A. A. A. this evening at a smoking concert to be held in the club headquarters, corner of Edwards and Catherine streets, Victoria West. The entertainment will commence at 8 o'clock. W. H. Davies, supervisor of the event has tastefully decorated the hall for the occasion, and has installed extra tiers of seats to accommodate the crowd.

Officers of the V. I. A. A. have arranged a splendid programme of events which consists of dancing, singing, musical selections and boxing exhibitions. Smokes and refreshments, kindly donated by the merchants of the city, will be served. Prizes won at the recent patriotic boxing tournament will be distributed to the winners.

The following is the complete programme to date: Miss Dooley, song; M. Sampson, song; F. Hughes, song; George Menelaw, song; M. Corbett, song; J. H. Falon, song; W. Boyd, step dancing.

Boxing Exhibitions. Heavyweight—A. B. Tom Butts, H. M. C. S. Rainbow, vs. P. O. Curzon, H. M. C. S. Rainbow.

135 lbs.—Al Davies, V. I. A. A. A., vs. Stoker Woods, H. M. C. S. Rainbow.

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FIGHT GOSSIP

Boxing fans in New York state will never again see Sandy Ferguson, one-time contender for the heavy-weight championship, in action again. Sandy has been barred by the state athletic commission for life from practicing the manly art anywhere within the state of New York. He was to have boxed Charlie Weinert, the Jersey heavy-weight at the Brooklyn Sporting club last week, and while he did put in an appearance, he was in bad shape from infraction of training rules, and the club physician refused to let him enter the ring, whereupon the commission took its action.

James Johnston has offered \$30,000 for a bout in Madison Square Garden between Jess Willard and the winner of the Jim Coffey-Gunboat Smith fight. Coffey says he is willing to meet the cowboy if Jess will allow him, meagre training expenses. Surely Willard could not earn easier money than \$3,000 or more a round.

Ted (Kid) Lewis has won an enviable reputation for himself up around Boston by slaughtering all the lightweights the Hub managers have been able to induce to try conclusions with the Briton. Lewis, however, has not made himself very solid with the top-notch boys of his class thereby. Charley White, of Chicago, was to have met Lewis in Boston Tuesday night, but he has cancelled the date. Evidently the Windy City mauler read an account of

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how Ted flattened Jimmy Duffy in less than a round.

Within the next couple of weeks Lightweight Champion Freddie Welsh may be matched for three twenty-round contests. He has practically come to terms for a tilt with Joe Mandot in New Orleans the middle of January. Ad Wolgast has \$15,000 backing from a syndicate in Denver to tempt the Briton into a match with the former champion, Charlie White, the Chicago lightweight, has been elected by the newspapers of the middle west as the logical challenger. Welsh says he will be ready by the middle of February to accommodate the Chicago boxer.

Edward Harvey, who looks after the business interests of Frankie Whitney, the lightweight who has earned a fine reputation through the south and west, has matched his man with Ad Wolgast. These boys will fight ten rounds at Atlanta, Ga., on the evening of December 13.

Patsy Brannigan made such a hit in his ten-round bout with Louisiana in Scranton last Friday night that the promoters are endeavoring to bring him and Champion Johnny Kilbane together on December 2.

Jim Buckley has assumed the management of Harry Wills, a negro heavyweight of New Orleans. On behalf of his protégé Buckley has challenged Sam Langford and Sam McVey.

Frankie Russell has hit the war trail for the scalp of Joe Mandot. Russell claims that Mandot broke faith, that he refused to make good on a match after Russell has carried out his part of the agreement by beating Rocky Kansas, of Buffalo. Russell says Mandot can get \$1,500 by meeting him, though he has been fighting inferior lightweights for much less.

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CHIMNEY SWEEP—Wm. Caley, Phone 419 or 524. Work guaranteed clean and thorough. d13

CHIMNEYS CLEANED

CHIMNEYS CLEANED—Lloyd, Phone 21851; 15 years' experience in Victoria. d13

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CHIMNEYS CLEANED—Defective flues fixed, etc. Wm. Neal, 7015 Quadra St., Phone 1015. d13

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CLEAN SWEEP—Burt (formerly Hayward & Burt), Phone Wrightway, 27291. d13

DYEING AND CLEANING

B. C. STEAM DYE WORKS—The largest dyeing and cleaning works in the province. Country or town. Phone 380. J. C. Haffner, proprietor. d13

FURRIER

CLARENCE CLEANERS, 704 Yates St., French dry cleaners and dyers. Suits pressed, 20¢. Alterations and repairing. Ladies' work a specialty. We call and deliver. Phone 287. d13

FISH

FRED FOSTER, 1216 Government street, Phone 1537. d13

HORSESHOEING

FRESH FISH daily, also smoked, at 651 Johnson instead of 1471 Broad. Phone 641. W. J. Wrightway. d13

HORSESHOEING

WE SUPPLY nothing but fresh fish. Miller Bros., 212 Central Fish Market, 615 Johnson street, Phone 286. d13

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JEFFREY & CASTLE, practical horse-shoers (Canadian & Calwell styles), Johnson street, Phone 63. d13

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ADVERTISEMENTS under this head, 1 cent per word per insertion; 50 cents per line per month. No advertisement charged for less than 10 lines. No advertisement charged for less than 10 lines. d13

CORSETRY

SPIRITUAL CORSETS—Comfort, with straight lines; boning guaranteed; unbreakable and unbreakable. One year Professional Corsetry will visit residence by appointment. Mrs. Godson, 403 Campbell Block, Phone 445. d13

FURNITURE MOVERS

JEFFES BROS. & LAMB, furniture and piano movers. Large, up-to-date, padded vans, express and trucks. Storage, packing and shipping. Office, 726 View street, Phone 1567. Stable, 607, Gorge road, Phone 223. d13

LIME

BUILDERS AND AGRICULTURAL LIME for sale. Apply Scott & Peden, or at the kiln, for prices. No other person authorized to sell on our behalf. T. Exton, Parsons Bridge, Phone 3241. d13

LIVERY STABLES

BRYAN'S STABLES, 725 Johnson, Livery, boarding, hacks, express wagon, etc. Phone 182. d13

METAL WORKS

PACIFIC SHEET METAL WORKS—Copper work, skylights, metal windows, metal, slats and felt roofing, hot air radiators, metal ceilings, etc. 1008 Yates street, Phone 1712. d13

MILLWOOD

CAMERON WOOD CO. MILLWOOD, 21 per cord, 12 per cord, kindling, 25¢ per cord, Phone 500. d13

MOTORCYCLE SPECIALISTS

MOTORCYCLE, BICYCLE & SUPPLY STORE, 84 Yates, Repair parts for all makes. Agents for Eagle Motorcycles. d13

PAINTING AND DECORATING

BIG WRIGHT, housepainting and paper-hanging. Phone 3456 for lowest prices. d13

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AARONSON'S LOAN OFFICE moved to 1315 Government street, next to Columbia Theatre. d13

PHOTOGRAPHER

ELITE STUDIO—Portraits taken day or night. Pinks developed, 50¢ Government street, cor. 4th, Phone 2861. d13

POTTERYWARE

SEWER PIPE WARE—Plain tiles, ground fire clay, etc. B. C. Pottery Co., Ltd., corner Broad and Pandora streets. d13

PLUMBING AND HEATING

VICTORIA PLUMBING CO., 1052 Pandora street, Phone 3492. d13

PLUMBING AND REPAIR WORK

FOR PROMPT ATTENTION for plumbing repairs, Phones 228 or 6061. K. E. F. d13

ROCK BLASTING

ROCK BLASTING, J. Paul, R. M. D., No. 4 Gordon Ave., d13

SCAVENGING

VICTORIA SCAVENGING CO.—Office, 1926 Government street, Phone 662. Ashes and garbage removed. d13

SECOND-HAND GOODS

SECOND-HAND CLOTHING STORE—Cash paid for ladies' and gents' cast-off clothing and shoes. M. Stern, 609 Yates street, Phone 410. d13

SEWER AND CEMENT WORK

J. B. BUTCHER, sewer and cement work, Phone 2071. d13

SHOE REPAIRING

FOR SATISFACTION in shoe repairing, Arthur Hibbs, 415 Troas Ave., opposite Colonial Building, Phone 4162. d13

SHOE REPAIRING

MODERN SHOE-REPAIRING CO., corner Yates and Government, Good workmanship at moderate charges. Prompt delivery. Phone 1255. d13

SIGN PAINTERS

REASONABLY PRICED SIGNS and show cards for every business. Manner Sign Co., Phone 287, corner Yates and Broad streets. d13

TRUCK AND DRAY

VICTORIA TRUCK & DRAY CO., LTD., Office and stables, 749 Broughton St., Telephone 1536. d13

TAXIDRIVERS

WHERRY & TOW, taxidriver, successions to Fred Foster, 623 Pandora, corner Broad street, Phone 3221. d13

VACUUM CLEANERS

HAVE THE AUTO VACUUM for your carpets; satisfaction assured. Phone 616. d13

WOOD AND COAL

WESTERN COAL & WOOD CO., D. MacKenzie, Prop., Cordwood—12 blocks, 45¢; 30¢ cash; lump coal, 37¢; nut, 35¢. Phone 458. d13

Y. W. C. A.

FOR THE BENEFIT of young women in out of employment, Rooms and board. A home from home, 756 Courtney street. d13

WINDOW CLEANING

DON'T FORGET to Phone 1705, James Bay Window Cleaning Co., 641 Government street. d13

ISLAND WINDOW CLEANING

ISLAND WINDOW CLEANING CO., Phone 2812. The pioneer window cleaners and tinters, 2509 Government street. d13

AUTOMOBILES FOR HIRE

OVERLAND CAR and driver for hire, 50¢ per month, Box 612, Times. d13

FOR HIRE

FOR HIRE—First-class Ford cars, low cost terms. Phone 3717 or 2411. d13

JITNEY CABS

JITNEY CABS—People wishing to hire jitney cars by the hour or for short trips should telephone Jitney Association Garage—number 2681. d13

WANTED—MISCELLANEOUS

WANTED—Second-hand oak sideboard; must be cheap and in good condition. Box 284, Times. d13

WANTED—BEDROOM AND DINING ROOM

WANTED—Bedroom and dining room furniture; will give good price. Phone 3121. Mason, Hillside and Quadra. d13

HIGH PRICES

HIGH PRICES paid for gentlemen's clothing. Phone 423. I. Herman, 1421 Government street. d13

WANTED—SECOND-HAND TOOLS

WANTED—Second-hand tools of all descriptions; Alaska Junk Co., 1411 Store street, corner Cornmarket, Phone 5702. d13

RUBBER—JUNK RUBBER WANTED

RUBBER—Junk rubber wanted. Alaska Junk Co., 1411 Store street, corner Cornmarket, Phone 5702. d13

RACE—ALL SORTS RACE WANTED

RACE—All sorts race wanted. It pays to save race. Good money to you if you bring to Alaska Junk Co., 1411 Store street, corner Cornmarket, Phone 5702. d13

ESQUIMALT DISTRICT

CROCKERY—Just arrived, a shipment imported direct by W. Angus, 1253 Esquimalt road. Our stock is again complete. d13

NEWELL M. SPRATT

NEWELL M. SPRATT, 931 Esquimalt road. Dry goods, hardware and boot and shoe store. Large and up-to-date stock always on hand at lowest prices. Phone 4211. d13

PRIVATE XMAS CARD ORDERS

PRIVATE XMAS CARD ORDERS for immediate delivery now being booked by G. E. Hodgson, stationer and news-agent, 819 Esquimalt road. d13

JAMES BAY DISTRICT

H. J. WATTS, James Bay Meat and Fish Market, The Quality Store. Try us for a good tender coast beef. Phone 188. d13

JAMES BAY BOOT REPAIRING

JAMES BAY BOOT REPAIRING DEPT., 115 Esquimalt, corner Monzie and Simcoe streets, Phone 3003. d13

OAK BAY DISTRICT

AVENUE THEATRE—High-class motion pictures shown nightly at 7 o'clock, matinee Saturdays at 2. d13

TURNER, of the Little Wander

TURNER, of the Little Wander, 1855 Lodge Road, is now and selling magazines and Old Country papers. d13

MILLINERY—Great bargains in trimmed

MILLINERY—Great bargains in trimmed hats, prices \$2.50 and \$3.50; pattern hats at \$5. Miss E. J. Langley, 1640 Oak Bay avenue. d13

HOME-MADE PASTRIES

HOME-MADE PASTRIES of unsurpassed delicacy made daily by Miss Stoddard, 184 Oak Bay avenue. Phone 2481. d13

SMITH, the Oak Bay plumber

SMITH, the Oak Bay plumber, first-class jobbing a specialty. Phone 3323. d13

DRESS GOODS—1916-1917 season

DRESS GOODS—1916-1917 season, all the latest styles in all colors, all sizes. Dressmakers' notions always in stock. Bon Marche, corner Fell and Oak Bay avenue. d13

CLOVERDALE DISTRICT

W. E. MILLER, express and transfer. Furniture removed, baggage collected and delivered. Phone 2701. d13

WESCOTT'S DRY GOODS STORE

WESCOTT'S DRY GOODS STORE, corner Douglas and Boleyn, Ladies' children's and men's underwear. Hosiery and all dry goods at wholesale prices. d13

W. A. KING, Maywood Meat Market

W. A. KING, Maywood Meat Market. Home-killed meat a specialty. Fish, fruit, vegetables and own dairy produce. Phone 2501. d13

PRIVATE GREETING CARDS

PRIVATE GREETING CARDS FOR XMAS—Sample books now ready. Douglas's Drug Store, corner Douglas and Esquimalt streets, Phone 2451. d13

SAANICH DISTRICT

NORTH VICTORIA LUMBER CO.—Sash, doors and lumber, fruit boxes and building material. Corner Saanich Road and V. & S. track, Phone 3351. d13

LOOK HOW CONVENIENT

LOOK HOW CONVENIENT Esquimalt Meat Market opened branch, corner Tillamook and Gorge roads; trial solicited. Phone 3111. Young, proprietor. d13

LODGES

DAUGHTERS AND MAIDS OF ENGLAND B. S. Lodge Primrose, No. 22, meets fourth Tuesday at 8 p. m. in K. of P. Hall, North Park St. d13

SONS OF ENGLAND B. S. Lodge

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LOYAL ORANGE ASSOCIATION—L. O. E.

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K. OF P.—Rat West-Victoria Lodge, No. 1

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COLUMBIA LODGE No. 2, I. O. O. F.

COLUMBIA LODGE No. 2, I. O. O. F. meets Wednesdays, 8 p. m. in Odd Fellows' Hall, Douglas street. D. Dewar, Secy. d13

THE ORDER OF THE EASTERN STAR

THE ORDER OF THE EASTERN STAR meets on 2nd and 4th Wednesdays at 8 o'clock in K. of P. Hall, North Park street. Visiting members cordially invited. d13

THE ANCIENT ORDER OF FORESTERS

THE ANCIENT ORDER OF FORESTERS, Court Camosun, No. 323, meets at Foresters' Hall, Broad St. 1st and 3rd Tuesdays. T. W. Hawkins, Secy. d13

A. O. F. COURT NORTHERN LIGHT

A. O. F. COURT NORTHERN LIGHT, No. 1382, meets at Foresters' Hall, Broad St. 2nd and 4th Wednesdays. W. P. Fullerton, Secy. d13

LOYAL ORDER OF MOOSE, No. 728

LOYAL ORDER OF MOOSE, No. 728, meets at K. of P. Hall, North Park St. second and fourth Mondays. Dictator. d13

A. C. Holmes, 1825 Fern street, C. E.

A. C. Holmes, 1825 Fern street, C. E. Copeland, secretary, 1320 Minto street, P. O. Box 1017. d13

BENEVOLENT ORDER OF BEAVER

BENEVOLENT ORDER OF BEAVER, Victoria Chapter, meets at Esquimalt Hall 1st and 3rd Mondays. C. H. Watson, secretary. d13

ROOMS AND BOARD

COMFORTABLE BOARD-RESIDENCE, near Parliament Buildings; furnace, piano, Phone 1068. d13

ROOM AND BOARD

ROOM AND BOARD—A comfortable home offered to business gentlemen in private English family, close in. Box 543, Times. d13

OSBORNE COURT, 317 Main street

OSBORNE COURT, 317 Main street, at the junction of Blanshard, Main and Collins streets, within five minutes' walk of the Post Office, Empress Hotel and business centre of the city. Newly and comfortably furnished beds, rooms, with or without private bath; breakfast served if desired; hot and cold running water in every room; building heated with hot water system. The comfort of guests will be the first consideration of the management. Phone 3273. d13

GOOD BOARD AND ROOM, 36 per week

GOOD BOARD AND ROOM, 36 per week; also light housekeeping room. 342 Pandora street. d13

NICELY FURNISHED BEDROOM

NICELY FURNISHED BEDROOM and full board, in private family, home comforts, centrally located. Phone 20761. d13

FIRST-CLASS ROOMS, with or without

FIRST-CLASS ROOMS, with or without board; terms moderate. 525 Humboldt street, Phone 4371. d13

SPECIAL WINTER RATES—Room and

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MISCELLANEOUS

MRS. NEWLANDS, late dressmaker, at D. Spencers, Ltd., has moved to 417 St. John's Place, Yates street. d13

DANDRIDGE, Ford car specialist, Oak

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Another Home Bargain

No. 767 Newport Avenue, Oak Bay, with frontage on Golf Links. New, modern dwelling of 6 rooms, bath and pantry, full basement, furnace. Lot 50 x 110.

\$3,000

Cash \$200, balance in monthly payments of \$25 each, including interest.

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Money to Loan. Insurance Written. 1112 Broad St.

SUCCESS

In selling does not mean simply coal sold—it means satisfied customers. Our delivery is unequalled, and our Coal recognized to be the best.

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Supreme Court Chambers.—In supreme court chambers this morning an order was made appointing James Forman receiver in the action of Carney against Ottner. Probate was granted in the estate of Julia Johnston, and recalling of probate was allowed in the estate of J. A. Dickey. Ten days extension was allowed to register the mortgages in the King Solomon Copper Mines company with the registrar of joint stock companies.

Answers to Times Want Ads.

The following replies are waiting to be called for:

37, 46, 77, 94, 126, 164, 188, 272, 282, 285, 316, 344, 368, 408, 430, 446, 452, 458, 476, 498, 525, 527, 534, 553, 555, 556, 584, 598, 2193.

TOO LATE TO CLASSIFY

INGONISMS.—"A thrifty father often means a spendthrift son." Diggon Printing Co. We've moved to 708 Yates street (Metropolis Block). We are specializing in personal Xmas cards. d1

IN NELSON'S TIME WHAT WAS THE PRICE OF COAL? Is the latest conundrum in the Grand Meeft. You can get the price of almost everything else at Murdoch's Pandora Mart. d1

WHEN YOU THINK of a suit or overcoat think of Cooper & Potts. A good business suit for \$35. 708 Yates street, Metropolis Block. d1

PLUMBING AND HEATING.—Repairs, coils made, ranges connected. James Bay plumber, Phone 3711, 345 St. James street. d1

SNAP IN LOT.—Prior street, near Bay, 50x120; price \$375 cash. Currie & Power, 1214 Douglas street. Phone 1466. d1

MONEY TO LOAN.—\$500; must be good security; responsible party. Currie & Power, 1214 Douglas street. Phone 1466. d1

FOR RENT.—Furnished housekeeping rooms; gas cook stove, kitchenette, open fire; comfortable and select. 483 Superior. d1

DON'T FORGET BAZAAR, Friday and Saturday, 3rd and 4th, at Progress Temple, Pandora avenue. Dancing evenings. d1

LET.—Lighted and heated furnished apartment (no children), \$15 per month, 1158 Yates. d1

LOST.—Winchester rifle, 38-40, on Silver Mine trail. Finder please return to 1065 Rockland avenue and receive reward. d1

CALL SELECT AUCTION ROOMS, 81-13 Fort street, for useful Xmas presents; good class, slightly used furniture, etc., at less than half-price. Phone 2572. d1

GOOD BICYCLE for sale, gent's. Apply 27 Princes avenue. d1

FOR SALE OR EXCHANGE.—My interest in modern, 4-room house, on good city lot; accept part cash and clear title lot to about \$1,000 value, balance easy terms, inc. mortgage \$1,400; purchase to give me lease on house for certain time. Full particulars, Box 619, Times. d3

LOST.—Ten dollar bill, either at new drill hall or going from same to Cloverdale; owner cannot afford to lose. Phone 25081. d1

FOR SALE.—Almost new set of harness; cost \$32; price \$18; snap for quick sale. Phone 27011. d1

TO LET.—3 month, good five roomed house, near telephone office, every modern convenience. \$44. Johnson street. d1

GATLIN INSTITUTE.—Removed to 510 Trutch street. Treatment for alcoholism and drug, under competent physician and graduate nurse. Consultation free. Phone 5466. d1

WANTED.—To exchange, six acres and modern dwelling, orchard, etc., Beachley, for modern house in city. Apply to P. R. Brown. d1

FOR RENT.—Modern, five roomed bungalow on Olympia avenue, near Wilfrid. Apply Box 66, Times. d1

EXCHANGE.—Clear title house for private farm. C. F. Eagles, 617 Bayward Block. d1

PER MONTH.—Completely furnished, four roomed house, near car. B. C. Investments, 636 View street. d1

ONE SECOND-HAND HUFF YEATS ELECTRIC COUPÉ, just re-painted; price, including everything, \$1,600. Will accept touring car in exchange or part payment. Plimley's Garage, Johnson street. d1

LOST.—Gold brooch, between Oak Bay and city. Reward at Times Office. d1

CIGAR STAND for sale, no going concern. Metropolis Cigar Stand, Yates street. d1

WANTED.—Ford car of modern pattern; it must be cheap; no dealers. Box 625, Times. d1

FOR SALE.—500 Pinger shares; a snap for cash. Box 625, Times. d1

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LIME. BUILDERS' AND AGRICULTURAL LIME for sale. Apply Scott & Peden, or at the kiln, for prices. No other person authorized to sell on my behalf. F. Exton, Parsons Bridge. Phone 27311. d1

\$30,000 COLLECTED UP TO NOON TO-DAY

Auspicious Opening to Whirlwind Campaign for Patriotic Aid

COMMITTEES COVERING CITY IN BIG CANVASS

Important Firms Promise Generous Donations; Some Questions Answered

Up to noon to-day, according to an approximate estimate made by the committee directing the Patriotic Aid campaign, the sum of \$30,000 had been collected towards the \$200,000 which is the goal of their desires.

The first visitor to the rooms at the corner of Tronson alley and Broad street this morning was Mrs. Pemberton, who promised to subscribe \$100 a month for the duration of the war. Other amounts were subscribed in similar manner, and beside this the various committees were early on the march, and by mid-day had covered a large part of the city.

At last night's patriotic mobilization the sum of approximately \$1,100 was taken at the door. This amount will be added to other sums which are being given for patriotic cause.

The following is the list of firms whose employees have promised handsome donations: Turner, Beeton & Co., Ltd.; Producers' Rock & Gravel Co.; the Bank of British North America; and the Pacific Club.

In all there are 34 committees on the collection, and as most of these have sufficient members to keep someone on the field the whole time the hope of the organizers is to cover every bit of the city before Saturday night should be realized. It is the intention, at least, to close the whirlwind campaign feature by that time, although no limitation is set to the reception of further subscriptions. There will be no unwillingness to accept even more than the \$200,000 apportioned to, as there is every indication that with the additional 100,000 men whom it is hoped to send into the battle-line from the Dominion in the near future, there will be need for every cent that can be given.

As the result of the raffle of the big black bearskin donated by Mrs. Jack Hyland, of Telegraph Creek, and raffled by R. M. Byrne, of the circulation staff of the Colonist, a neat sum has been turned over to the fund. The number of tickets sold was 625, realizing \$155.50. The only expense was for printing, this amounting to \$5.50. The proceeds were to-day turned over to the Patriotic Aid committee.

The following questions are often asked in regard to the distribution of the fund, and they are answered here by the officials of the society:

What becomes of the money?

All the money paid in to the Victoria Patriotic Aid Society is deposited in the Bank of Commerce here, but is all part of the Canadian Patriotic Fund.

How much of the money now being collected will be spent in Victoria?

The Victoria requirements, it is estimated, will be greater than the amount asked for, and will be supplemented from the central fund at Ottawa when necessary.

How much was collected in the last effort?

Up to Oct. 31, about \$150,000.

What is the present requirement per month?

October allowances were nearly \$13,000, but this is growing each month, and it is estimated the monthly allowance may run to \$15,000 or \$20,000.

Do officers' families receive help?

Under exceptional circumstances only, and then only when it is established that they are in actual need, and the assistance is only given temporarily.

Are all cases investigated?

Always. The committee believes no one has received help who is not in actual need.

Have allowances been reduced?

Only when it was felt that the first amount was in excess of the actual requirements.

Are those in charge paid?

No. All the officials do the work gratuitously, and the offices are given free of rent. Book-keeper and stenographers are paid, and sundry expenses, such as stationery, stamps, etc. The operating expenses are more than met by the bank interest on balances remaining from month to month.

NATURAL HISTORY SOCIETY

Dr. Hassell Reads Interesting Paper on Natural Miracles.

There was a meeting last evening of the Natural History Society, the paper of the evening being contributed by Dr. Hassell. His topic was "Some Natural Miracles that I have seen."

The subject was entertainingly dealt with, and incidentally a comparison was drawn between the appearance at certain periods of some particular insect and, in some subsequent year, another form of the same pest.

The vote of thanks was moved by Mr. Wallace and seconded by Mr. Pullen. The society extended thanks to Mr. Schofield, the provincial librarian, who had shown the society last Monday an interesting collection of maps, books and pictures which are in the archives at the provincial library, showing the history of the northwest.

and care is taken to teach the children to foster birds rather than go bird-nesting.

The botanical section of the society will meet at the office, 410 Jones building, at 8 p.m. on Thursday next to discuss ferns. The meeting passed a vote of regret at the loss of R. F. Robinson, one-time president, and ever an enthusiastic worker of the society.

LOCAL NEWS

For a Nice Clean Letter you need a good typewriter ribbon. We carry the best, also carbon and typewriter paper. Sweeney-McConnell, Limited, 1010-12 Langley St.

Silver Spring Beer, 2 qts. for 25c. W. A. of S. P. C. A.—The W. A. of S. P. C. A. will meet on Friday, Dec. 3, in the Y. W. C. A. at 2.30 p. m.

Managing Board to Meet.—The managing board of the Day Nursery will meet to-morrow at 2.30 at the Day Nursery.

Medal Contest.—A silver medal contest will be held in the Centennial Methodist school, on December 1 at 8 o'clock. A good musical programme will also be rendered.

Weekly Whist Drive.—The Ivy Leaf Social club will hold their weekly whist drive on Thursday night in the K. of P. hall, commencing at 8.15. Visitors will be welcome.

Centennial Epworth League.—On Saturday, December 11, the Centennial Epworth league will hold a rummage sale in the Scott block, corner Hillside avenue and Douglas street, from 1.30 to 4.30 p. m.

Bazaar and Sale.—Mrs. R. Bullen will open the bazaar at 2.30 p. m. on Friday next at the Progress Temple, Pandora avenue, where many fancy and useful articles will be on sale. There also will be amusements, music, and dancing in the evenings.

St. Mary's Ladies' Guild.—On Friday afternoon at the old schoolhouse, Powl Bay road, the Ladies' Guild of St. Mary's are holding their semi-annual sale of Christmas goods, candles, home-made cooking, dolls, etc., also delicious afternoon tea. There will be fortune-telling.

Lecture at Strangers' Rest.—This evening, commencing at 8 o'clock, W. M. Ritchie will give an illustrated lecture on the war at the Strangers' rest, Government street. The lecture has attracted great interest and it is expected that there will be a large attendance. Everyone is welcomed.

Police Court.—In the police court this morning Edward Whalen and Thomas McMillan were charged with having stolen an overcoat. Whalen pleaded guilty and McMillan not guilty. Whalen said McMillan had nothing to do with the theft or the subsequent selling of the overcoat for \$1 to a second-hand clothing dealer. The man who purchased the coat said McMillan took part in the conversation confirming the story told by Whalen. Mr. Jay remanded both until to-morrow morning so the police might examine Whalen's record.

Royal Oak Sale of Work.—The Ladies' Guild of St. Michael's church will hold their annual sale of work to-morrow afternoon and evening in the hall, Royal Oak. The sale will be opened at 3 p. m. by the Venerable Archdeacon Sweet. There will be stalls of fancy and plain work, candy, home-cooking, and a special stall for gifts donated by the gentlemen of the district. Tea will be served during the afternoon. In the evening there will be music and an auction sale. The proceeds are for the vicarage fund.

Take Over Princess Theatre.—The Princess theatre on Yates street will be taken over on Monday next by a high class dramatic and musical comedy company in charge of those well-known actors and producers, Mr. and Mrs. John E. Drew. The newcomers will specialize particularly in comedy, and will have with them a beauty chorus comprising a number of pretty girls possessing pronounced musical and terpsichorean ability. Excellent entertainment is promised of a new kind, and two shows will be given each night.

King's Daughters.—The monthly business meeting of the King's Daughters was held in the restroom, Courtney street, on Wednesday morning, the district secretary, Mrs. L. H. Hardie, presiding. Routine matters were disposed of as usual. It was decided to decorate the rooms at Christmas time, and a committee was appointed to attend to the same, with Mrs. Greenhill as convener. A resolution of sympathy to Mrs. R. R. McKie in her recent sad bereavement was unanimously passed. Donations of cash were gratefully acknowledged from Mrs. Andrew Wright.

MAKES HANDSOME GIFT

Hon. James Dunsmuir Subscribes \$500 Per Month to Red Cross Funds for Duration of War.

The Hon. James Dunsmuir has augmented his munificent donation of \$1,000 a month for the period of the war to the Patriotic Aid Fund by a promise of \$500 a month to the Victoria branch of the Red Cross Society.

The subscription is a liberal one, as it is made for the duration of the war. Yesterday the society received the first cheque, which was accompanied by the promise of the continuance of the subscription for the period of the war. The generous-handed action of the donor has been acknowledged with the warmest appreciation by the officers of the Red Cross Society, who hope that it may inspire others to like acts of liberality in this time when the nation requires every possible assistance, financial and otherwise.

REFLECTOR WILL BE WEIGHTY INSTRUMENT

Some Additional Details Announced of Saanich Observatory Equipment

Two hundred and sixty tons of steel, glass and wood will rest on the solid rock at the summit of Saanich Hill when the telescope is completed, according to information given at a lecture at Pittsburg on Monday by Dr. John A. Brashear, president of the American Society of Mechanical Engineers. Dr. Brashear is in a position to know, because his firm is giving the finish to the great piece of Belgian glass which is to be installed later on Saanich Hill.

The reflecting mirror, he said, was being finished under the direction of James B. McDowell. It was 72 inches in diameter, weighed two and one-quarter tons and had a focal length of 30 feet. The workmen, Dr. Brashear said, were engaged in correcting the possible error to the one two hundred and fifty thousandth of an inch of a parabolic curve.

The Warner and Swasey Company, of Cleveland, is making the mountings, as well as assembling those made by the Bethlehem Steel Company.

The contractors for the building and the concrete work, the McAlpine Robertson Company, are making good progress. It is the intention of the company to complete construction to the point where the dome commences.

When the observing floor is finished, the piers will appear above its surface. They are set true north and south, parallel with the earth's axis. The telescope itself will correct every deviation as it exists. The reflector will be mounted upon an axis parallel to the earth's axis, and extending from the one pier to the other.

TWO WOUNDED MEN RETURN TO VICTORIA

Ptes. Pearson and Wall, Here From the Front, Suffering From Gas Poisoning

Yesterday afternoon Pte. C. P. L. Pearson, of the 7th Battalion and Pte. J. Wall, of the 23rd Battalion were brought to the city suffering from injuries sustained while in action somewhere in France. On their arrival at the C. P. R. wharf they were welcomed by a delegation from the Welcome committee, assisted by a fairly large crowd of citizens. The men were then taken to the convalescent home at Esquimalt, where they will convalesce.

Pte. Wall is suffering from gas poisoning. He was helping to man a trench near Ypres when this method of warfare was introduced by the Germans for the first time. Under cover of great banks of gas cloud they attacked the Canadian line, and Pte. Wall was incapacitated from further activity through inhaling the noxious fumes.

Pte. Pearson was present at the actions of Ypres, St. Julien, Festubert, and Givency. He was wounded twice by shrapnel, and he also is suffering from chlorine poisoning. In the action of St. Julien, according to Pte. Pearson, the Germans had the assistance of several batteries of heavy guns. Nothing could stand up against their onslaught. In the face of this and the gas clouds the Canadians were forced to give way for a short time. In that action Pte. Pearson was slightly wounded, and lay where he fell for several hours before he found strength to crawl back to the dressing station.

He was back in the firing line again in time to take part in the fighting at Givency, and later was wounded for a second time, was operated on, and sent to England where he stayed for three months prior to being given permission to return to Canada to recuperate from the effects of his wounds.

TRAFFIC TIED UP

Break in Power Line at Point Ellice Bridge Causes Inconvenience This Morning.

Street car traffic was paralyzed and all the electric light and power in the city and district was cut off by a break in the Jordan river power line at the point where it crosses Point Ellice bridge, shortly after 11 o'clock to-day.

The power was off for about 45 minutes, during the time the repair gang was at work. The jitney men respected rich harvest in transferring belated passengers to their respective destinations, and they also got the cream of the noontide traffic.

In several commercial houses work had to be suspended for some time, and all the enterprises dependent on electric power for their motive force experienced delays.

The repair of the high-tension wires was effected in so short a time that it was not found necessary to bring into operation the auxiliary steam plant at Brentwood Bay, which is ready for employment whenever a serious breakage occurs in connection with the Jordan river plant.

MILITARY DEVELOPMENTS EXPECTED IN GREECE

Athens, Dec. 1.—Premier Skouloudis conferred with King Constantine for an hour to-day. Later Mr. Skouloudis called a cabinet meeting, which was attended by the chief of the Greek general staff, Military developments are imminent, according to reports.

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DON'T GIVE A CENT

They don't want charity! All they ask is for us at home to do our duty as they are doing theirs.

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Opposite Colonist Office

VICTORIA SUBSCRIBES GENEROUSLY TO LOAN

Stock Totalling \$1,340,000 Has Been Applied for; Large Number Participate

Victoria subscribed no less a sum than \$1,340,000 to the national war loan, the time for receiving applications for which expired yesterday.

Up to the last minute last night practically all of the local banks were receiving subscriptions. The largest subscription made during the eight business days on which applications could be made was that of the city, which applied for stock to the amount of \$250,000. Several applications ranging from \$25,000 to \$50,000 were received, but for the most part the subscriptions were relatively small amounts, showing that the general public has supported the scheme even more generously than had been hoped.

Evidently it has been widely recognized that the loan offers a very substantial return on the money invested, and the security, of course, is unquestionable.

Besides these factors everybody has realized that a generous response was necessary to Canada bearing her proper share in the cost of the war of civilization against barbarism. In placing their money in the loan they were merely performing a patriotic act.

From all over the Dominion the reports agree that the response has been whole-hearted and enthusiastic. There is no doubt that this first appeal to the people of the Dominion has been an unqualified success, and augurs well for the prosperous issue of a further loan when such is needed.

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WHEAT TO BE LOANED TO DEALERS BY GOVT.

Ottawa, Dec. 1.—A letter outlining concessions which have been made to the grain trade, and millers in connection with the recent seizure of wheat by the government has been sent out by the department of trade and commerce. It applies to wheat to be loaned to the dealers by the government to fill immediate contracts.

"Any Canadian," it says, "on presentation of documents establishing ownership of any of the wheat previous to commandeering, can have the same released on signing an agreement arranged for and accompanying it with cheque equivalent to ten cents per bushel of the grain to be released."

Any exporter, on establishing his title to any of the grain commandeered and showing a bona fide contract entered into for sale to British exporters, can, upon signing the agreement arranged for, and depositing a cheque for an amount equivalent to 10 cents per bushel of the grain to be exported, have the same released."

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ON SAME DAY AS THE
GENERAL ELECTION

executive will be to the statement of the premier is as yet unknown, as the letter will not be laid before the executive for discussion until it meets this afternoon. Individual members of the executive who have seen the letter declines to comment on it until after the executive has met and deliberated.

London, Dec. 1.—The Press Bureau last night gave out a statement with regard to a German wireless dispatch which reported that the British torpedo boat Ferwent had run on a mine in the Dogger Bank and sunk with the loss of all but five men of her crew. It says the German report is an absolute fabrication.

German's victims, of the ruined churches and halls, of the devastated cities, have gone the rounds of the newspapers and the reviews of every continent. But what is Belgium's fate as compared with that of the Armenian nation? What are the few Belgian women outraged by drunken soldiers, and the murdered children, as compar-

GERMANY NUMBER 33,000

London, Dec. 1.—The number of British prisoners of war in Germany now is approximately 33,000, Harold J. Tennant, parliamentary under-secretary for war, announced in the House of Commons to-day.

March	12.99	12.94	12.96	12.70-75
May	12.78	12.94	12.78	12.91-93
July	12.87	12.10	12.96	12.99-101
Oct.	12.55	12.89	12.84	12.90-91
Dec.	12.22	12.44	12.90	12.29-31

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MANY PRESENT AT DRILL HALL CONCERT

"Patriotic Mobilization" Rallyes Public-Spirited Citizens; Lt.-Gov. Makes Appeal

If last night's vast gathering at the new Drill hall is any gauge of the sustained interest that is to be shown with respect to the campaign for \$200,000 in aid of the Patriotic Aid fund, the purpose is assured of early achievement. Including the military, the navy, the L. O. D. E., and other organizations which attended in large numbers, there were close on 4,500 people present in the big building first opened to the public yesterday. And such hearty enthusiasm followed the references made by speakers during the evening to the good work being done by the patriotic aid that indicated something more than a mere listeners' interest.

Long before the hour announced for the commencement of the programme a ten-deep queue which stretched from the steps right back to Douglas street pressed toward the entrance as fast as the barricade at the door was released to admit them. It took a long time to fill the hall owing to this system having to be adopted, but by 8.45 the place was packed to choking point, and exits had to be closed. Hundreds of people were seen at 8 o'clock turning homeward because they recognized the long wait which they would have as last arrivals on the end of the long drive. Otherwise the demonstration of the public's interest and determination to help the campaign might have reached even more gigantic proportions.

No doubt interest in the meeting was greatly stimulated by the opportunity afforded to see the new Drill hall before it is taken over permanently by the military authorities. And through the whole evening an endless procession moved round the main hall, with its girder-be-spaced roof from which depended long strings of naval pennants of the allies; through the galleries, the railings round which were swathed in giant flags; and down in the roomy basement with its shooting galleries and swimming tank. Everything was freely admired, visitors seeming to take a big measure of pride in the fact that so fine a structure had been erected in the city.

Certainly no other place in Victoria would have been suitable for an occasion summoning together so many hundreds of people. No less than three military bands were present, and kept up a very welcome programme of music while the crowd gathered, also furnishing patriotic selections in the intervals which occurred from time to time between other items on the programme. The 11th C. M. R. band, which recently arrived from Vernon with the unit, was heard for the first time on an occasion of the kind in Victoria, and was given very hearty applause after several of its numbers. The bands of the 5th C. G. A. and the 6th Battalion Victoria Fusiliers were also popular in lively military airs which they played during the evening. The bandstand was directly opposite the entrance, in the gallery over which were the special seats reserved for His Honor the Lieutenant-Governor and his party. Among those who accompanied him were Mrs. Barnard, H. J. Muskett and Sir Richard and Lady McBride. A. C. Flumet, of the Victoria Patriotic Aid society, was also among the little group.

Lieut.-Governor Spoke. The programme lacked of two items that promised to be of very special interest. These were the speech by the Honorable Chief Justice Hunter, who was unable to be present, and the narrative by Sgt. Basil Prior, who was to have spoken of his experiences at the front. Apart from this, however, everything was carried out much as designed. Early in the proceedings the lieutenant-governor spoke, with difficulty making himself heard above the sound of the shifting multitude. He urged the importance of the fund which had been designed by its organizers for the dependents of the brave men who had offered themselves for active service. By now everyone must have realized, he said, the responsibility which rested with every citizen in sharing the burden and supporting the fund. With hearty co-operation the people of Victoria should well be able to raise the \$200,000 required. The government of British Columbia had promised to pay for the demands made on Patriotic Aid funds by soldiers' dependents in the interior of the province. In the Boundary district, which had a population of 34,000, \$146,000 had been promised. It would not be long until Canada would be sending another 100,000 men to the front, when the demand on those who stayed behind would be still further increased. But he felt that they would rise to the occasion.

In conclusion his honor expressed

Why Tolerate Catarrh?

You have noticed, no doubt, that any cold aggravates nasal catarrh, and the flow of mucous amazes you that such objectionable matter could find lodgment in your head. To ignore this catarrh when the cold subsides is wrong because it continues to slowly injure the delicate linings of the nasal passages and clog them up.

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regret at the inability of Chief Justice Hunter to speak to the gathering, owing to a severe cold.

The other speaker of the evening was Sir Richard McBride. He commented on the fine architectural design of the new drill hall, of which Victoria should be proud, paying a tribute at the same time to Major-General Currie, who had been active in the establishment of the army.

"And now I want to ask you to help the patriotic fund by giving, each one of you, every penny that you can afford for a fund whose purpose is the care of the dependents of those who are fighting to make Britain and her allies victorious in the war."

Sir Richard also referred to the presentation of the colors to the 58th battalion, C. E. F., during the evening. It was a fine regiment. But it still needed four hundred more to bring it to full strength. "I can count the necessary number in the room, if I am not mistaken," he said. "Every man in the room who is strong enough to carry a gun should enlist to-morrow." In closing the speaker deplored the absence of Chief Justice Hunter, who, he knew, could have more ably urged the cause of recruiting and of the patriotic fund than he.

Colors Handed Over. An impressive ceremony was the handing over of the colors to the 58th Battalion by the Municipal Chapter, L.O.D.E. A big square was cleared in front of the platform, and here a guard of the regiment, 100 strong, in command of Major Harrison, were drawn up, with bayonets fixed, the officers of the Municipal Chapter, L.O.D.E., each bearing a gold-fringed Union Jack, forming up on either side of the steps leading to the platform.

In presenting the colors to Lt.-Col. Rous Cullin, O.C. of the 58th, Mrs. Griffiths, regent of the chapter, said: "On behalf of the Daughters of the Empire in Victoria, I have the honor to hand you, as commander of the 58th Fusiliers, these colors, hoping that at this time they may aid your recruiting campaign in Victoria."

Acknowledging the gift on behalf of his regiment, Lt.-Col. Rous Cullin expressed his great pleasure and gratitude. When so many of the regiment were now giving their lives for the empire it made the occasion more sacred than if the colors had been presented in the piping times of peace. The colors of any regiment were everything in the world to the soldiers of that regiment; they were its inspiration, its life, its very soul. The work of the Daughters of the Empire in Victoria had been of the greatest help to the men of the 58th, as to other regiments in the district. And on behalf of his unit he thanked them for their wonderful token.

Lieutenants Baird and Andrews received the colors from their officer commanding, and they were borne in the midst of the procession of the guard round the hall to the accompaniment of a fanfare of trumpets and rattle of drums, the crowd cheering wildly as they marched. After they had passed his honor called for three cheers for the colors and three cheers for the L.O.D.E. Both were given with whole-hearted enthusiasm.

Field Gun Drill. Another interesting spectacle to which the onlooker was treated during the evening was the field gun drill by three teams of His Majesty's Canadian Naval Volunteers, by kind permission of Commander Shenton, who was present. Lieut. Edwards was in charge of the competition, each team being given one minute test. The contest was exciting, the results being as follows: 1st, B team, loading 16 shots, 78 points; 2nd, A team, loading 14, 69 points; and 3rd, C team, loading 11, 56 points. Each team consisted of nine men, and a 6-inch dummy loader was used for the competition.

Squad Drill. A squad from the 50th Gordon Highlanders toward the close of the evening mounted the platform and was put through 1st, 2nd, 3rd, 4th and 5th practices of physical drill. Wearing their white doublets and kilts the sturdy Highlanders performed proved particularly picturesque and was carried out with fine precision and alertness.

The musical part of the entertainment was well provided for. Besides the numerous band selections there were four soloists: Mrs. MacDonald Fahey, who sang "Rule Britannia" and "Peace" very early in the evening, the audience, as in all subsequent numbers, joining heartily in the chorus. H. J. Davis gave a rousing rendering of "When the Boys Come Home" (Novello), joining in the quartette chorus being Messrs. E. and I. Petch, and Mr. Macaulay, E. Petch accompanying at the piano. As an encore they sang the ever loved "Minstrel Boy." Mrs. R. H. Pooley, accompanied by the 58th Regiment and 5th C. G. A. bands, and supported in the chorus by H. Davis, Messrs. Petch, Mrs. Roy Troup, and Godfrey Booth, gave the fine recruiting song, "Soldiers of the King," responding with a repetition of the last verse as an encore. Mrs. Roy Troup was in excellent voice, and made quite an impression with a new patriotic song entitled "Somewhere in France" (Herbert Ivey) which is destined with such a good introduction to be very popular locally at least. As an encore she sang "King and Country." Mrs. A. J. Gibson surmounting the difficulties of accompaniment in her usual skilful manner.

Rifle Competition.

At nine o'clock a rifle competition commenced in the ranges in the basement, this part of the proceedings being in charge of Q. M. S. Caven, 5th C. G. A. There were a great number of contestants. In the team contest there were six entries as follows, representing the united services: Two teams from the navy, and a team each from the 50th Gordon Highlanders, the 5th C. G. A., the 11th C. M. R., and the 67th Battalion. The prize (a cup donated by Messrs. Lange & Brown), was won by the 50th Gordon Highlanders with 286 points.

The ladies' contest winners were Miss Colton, 22; and Mrs. Rose (wife of Commander Rose), 11. The individual winners were Sgt. Roberts (5th C. G. A.), 49; and Lieut.-Capt. A. W.

Hams, 50th Gordon Highlanders, 48. These two tied. A score of 47 was made by Pipe-Major Coutts (50th Gordon Highlanders), Mr. Greaves, Commander Rose, (H. M. C. S. Rainbow), and D. W. Taylor (50th Gordon Highlanders); and a score of 45 by Staff-Sgt. Carr (5th C. G. A.) and Cpl. Hollett (67th Battalion).

No. 1 range was in charge of Staff-Sgt. Carr and Gun. Phipps; No. 2, Sgt. de Carteret and Cpl. MacLachlan; and No. 3, Sgt.-Major McDougall and Staff-Sgt. R. O. Clarke, all of the 5th C. G. A.

The idea of utilizing the drill hall for this purpose originated with Mrs. Nathaniel Shaw, convenor of the Esquimalt branch of the Red Cross, who secured the assent of Col. A. T. Ogilvie, Lt.-Col. Ridgway Wilson, and Messrs. Parfitt Bros., the contractors.

RED CROSS GETS \$940

FROM FIRST SALE

Superfluties Sold Yesterday Vary in Price; Many Bargains Obtained by Purchasers

As a result of the first superfluties sale held yesterday afternoon in the ballroom of the Empress hotel, the Red Cross funds will benefit to the extent of \$940, this amount having been taken for 130 articles which were offered and sold. It was proposed to sell two hundred lots yesterday, but the bidding was not brisk enough, and the sale this afternoon is being continued from the catalogue where the sale stopped yesterday.

The auction was well attended, several hundred people being present. Big bargains were obtained by several purchasers, one being a mahogany and bevelled glass cabinet, which went for \$12, and another a handsome Japanese chair, which was sold for \$11. Other articles went at about one-fifth of their value. A magnificent bearskin rug with head and claws sold for only \$15.

The sale was opened by Sir Richard McBride, who praised the energy of those who had worked so hard to make it a success. He felt assured that the sales will result in a considerable sum being given to the Red Cross funds. The premier said the idea of the Superfluties Sale, originated by Henry Pearce had spread as far as Halifax, and read an announcement in a Halifax paper referring to the sale here, and suggesting it should be taken up there by the Red Cross society.

Among the things sold was a set of Sheffield plate dish covers, which were sold singly and brought \$100. On the other hand a ladies' saddle and bridle worth \$60 were sold for \$5. The committee, in charge of the arrangements for the sale is composed of Henry Pearce, J. J. Shalcross, F. W. Jones and Charles Williams. Mr. Pearce is the originator of the scheme and to him is due the greater part of the credit for its success. The ladies' committee, which has been of invaluable service to the executive committee is composed of Mrs. Martin Turner, Miss K. Gordon, Miss M. Pearce, Miss Pitts, Miss M. Pitts and Miss Bowser.

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B. C. Salmon, 2 tins	25c
Plums, Greenages, Bramble Picklers, in glass bottle	25c
Heaton's Sour and Mixed Pickles, bottle	10c
Shirriff's Jelly Powders, 4 packets for	25c
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Local Potatoes, per sack	50c
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CIVIC ESTIMATES**PRESENTED TO-DAY**

Are Framed on Similar Lines to Those of 1915; Fixed Charges Stationary

Almost all civic estimates for the budget of 1916 have been completed by the departments. There are of course principles to be settled by the council in committee, which will modify respective totals, but the general policy of retrenchment appears to have been well respected.

The estimates this year were framed so as to meet fixed charges amounting to \$727,874. Owing to the small amount of construction work effected this year, except on the waterworks and on the northwest sewer, for which provision had already been made, the increase in the fixed charges will be small in 1916, probably not more than \$15,000. Unless the remainder of the books debentures are disposed of shortly, citizens next year will not be faced with an increase of that heaviest of all items, which has climbed steadily from \$364,000 in 1912 to its present serious position.

The works department will ask for less money all round than was the case this year. This attitude is based on the principle that the city will retain its present arrangements with regard to garbage service, and other details which have yet to be formally approved. The provision of the municipal paying plant will remove one item which has been figuring on the estimates for several years.

The police, fire and schools estimates will keep closely to the line adopted this year, although the fire wardens are certain to make a serious objection against being charged with the water for hydrants, which is billed to it by the waterworks department.

To-morrow there will be a meeting of the police commission and special committee to wind up a number of details which have arisen with regard to the new building. It is only a matter of days now before the whole building will be in service, and the sub-contracts taken over. The delay has been caused by getting the iron work properly fixed.

WILLIAM HEAD GOT COAL FROM PRICE

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The tender of the Victoria Fuel company was accepted and they have received all orders given since then.

Joshua Kingham pointed out to the commissioner that nothing had come out in evidence in the other case that he had actually supplied in scowload lots during the duration of the strike, although he had stated that he could have done so to the dredges and was able to prove that he had in other cases. The testimony just given proved that he had supplied coal in scowloads.

Commissioner Hill—"That was Seattle coal?"

"Yes, Seattle lump coal. Some of the evidence given here in the other case tried to make believe that I could not supply coal during the strike in scowloads."

A. M. Kirk was called and questioned by the commissioner.

"Did Price receive a commission from you on the coal you supplied to the quarantine station?"

"Yes, I think that is included in the statement handed in to the dredge investigation."

"Why did you only charge \$6.50 in that case when you charged \$7.50 to the dredges?"

"I didn't make the charge."

"Did you ever inquire why there was the difference?"

"Haven't the least idea."

W. H. Price was the next witness called by the commissioner.

"You received a commission of fifty cents a ton on that scowload of coal that Kirk & Co. supplied to the station?"

"I believe I did."

"Then the next order that was given you solicited it?"

"That is right."

"From whom did you purchase that?"

"From the Canadian Collieries, Lady-smith coal."

"This invoice indicates that you paid \$4.50 a ton for it?"

"Yes, at the mine, and 75 cents a ton to the wharf, and there was some little demurrage; the scow was kept for 11 days."

"Why was there a difference in the rate charged for discharging in the second case?"

"I paid that to the men who did the discharging; they were white men."

This closed the commissioner's work here. Prior to the taking up of the quarantine station matter there was a little evidence taken to close up the dredge investigation.

Captain Fletcher, of the tug Petrel, said he had gone to Kirk & Co.'s for lump coal after having taken the tug to Kingham & Co.'s wharf, and find-

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OFFICIALS TEST FIRE ALARM SYSTEM

Examination Made of Equipment and Capacity to Clear Schoolrooms Promptly

Three officials spent a busy morning to-day testing out the fire alarm equipment at the city schools. Fire Chief Davis was accompanied by Major Riddell, chairman of the building and grounds committee of the school board, and J. L. Noble, secretary-treasurer of the Vancouver Island Fire Underwriters association.

Not only fire alarm facilities engaged their attention, but matters like the distribution of boilers and other factors which are considered in the usual survey for a fire hazard.

The school board has considerably increased its facilities for handling an outbreak, and fire drills are held regularly. The smudge fire used by the chief, when a volume of smoke is quickly raised, has been of great value in ascertaining what the children would do in case of a genuine outbreak. Four of the larger schools have a Gamewell fire alarm equipment in use, while others use an electric gong as a signal.

Most of the buildings are fireproof, but accidents which have occurred from time to time in the cities show that a panic often leads to fatal results, even when the menace of suffocation has been guarded against. There are still some wooden buildings in use for primary schools, but the number of pupils in them is limited. These precautions, of course, reduce the fire hazard, and thereby secure a better insurance rate for the schools. Much of the success of the alarm gong depends on the efficiency of the janitors in keeping the cells recharged, as a battery requires replenishing.

The tests such as were carried out to-day prove a great factor of safety in the life of the schools, while to the children they particularly appeal as something unusual and spectacular.

"THE ENCHANTED GARDEN"

Daisy Chain Chapter to Present Dainty Fantasy at Old St. John's Hall on Friday Night.

A novel entertainment will be presented at Old St. John's hall, Herald street, on Friday evening. The event has been under way for weeks past by the Daisy Chain chapter, Children of the Empire, and has the patronage of the I. O. D. E. The hall, much used in years gone by for entertainments, has been entirely renovated and remodelled quite recently, and is one of the best places in the city for a performance of the kind.

Proceedings will commence at 8.15 with a pianoforte solo by Miss Margaret Campbell, and the first half of the programme will be taken up with a performance of "The Enchanted Garden." This pretty fantasy, suggested by the music of the garden, into which a wild rose strays from the outside world. Prince Butterfly, "Bumblebee" and "Will o' the Wisp" are all found among

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